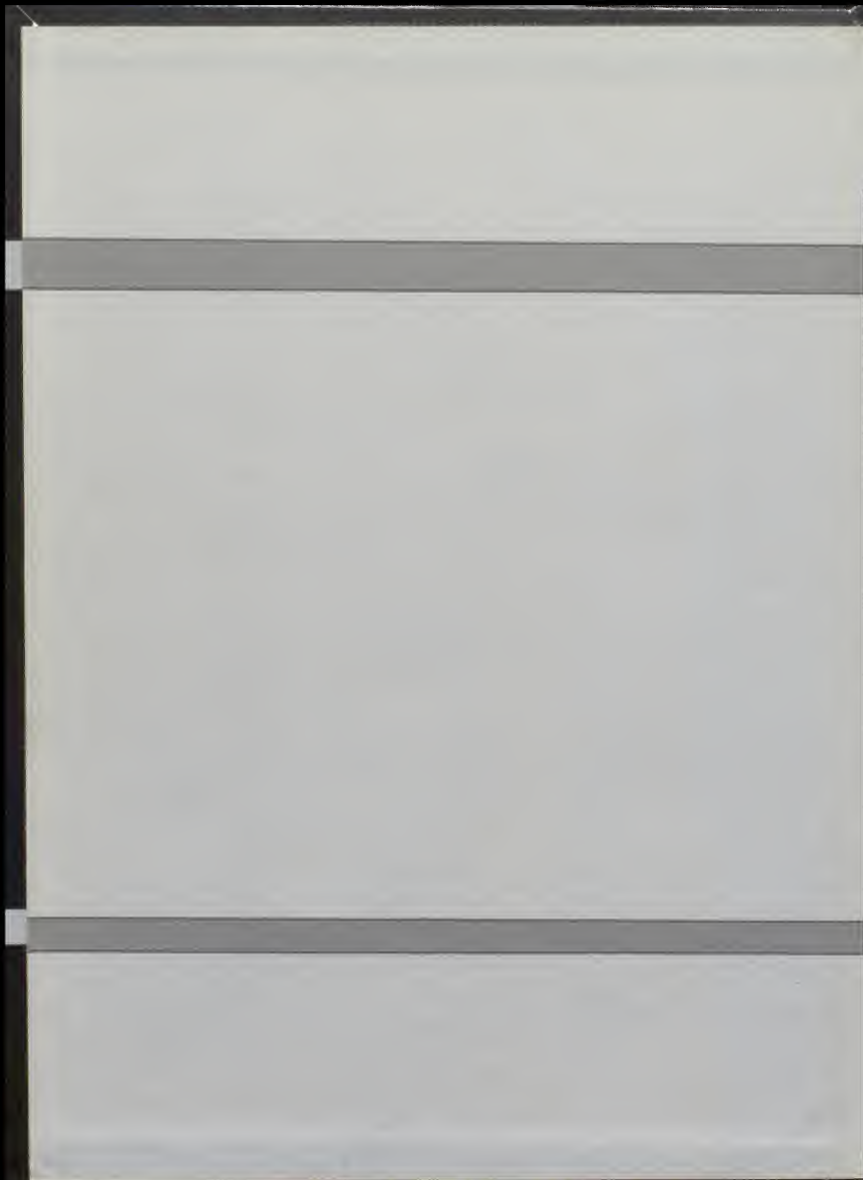




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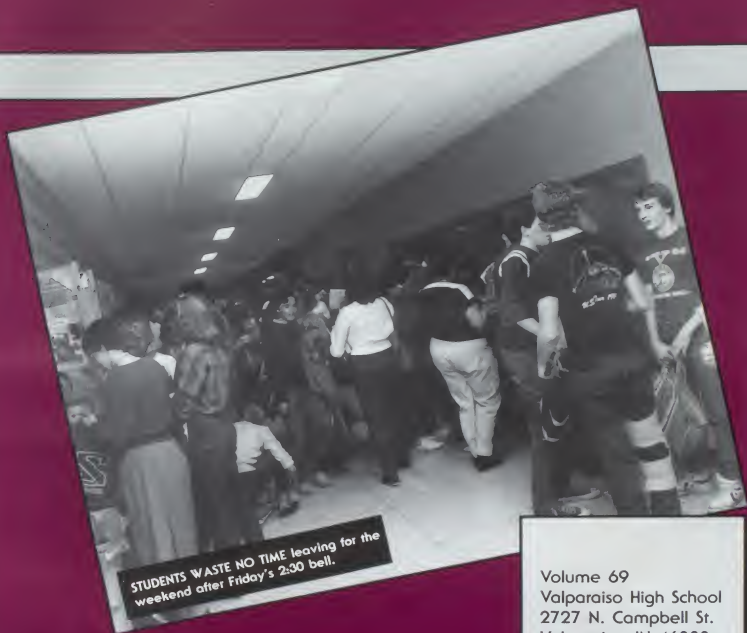


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STUDENTS WASTE NO TIME leaving for the weekend after Friday's 2:30 bell.

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New rules will lengthen day

# Changes to begin in '85

**T**here comes a time in everyone's life for changes. These changes, whether they be positive or negative, have an effect on the way each day is lived. With coming changes set to begin in the '85-'86 school year, students at VHS began to realize *This Is It*.

"A lot of changes are taking place for guiding, managing, and operating a school," said Principal Garth Johnson, in reference to major curriculum changes that will take place next year. Due to new state government laws, the length of the school day will be increased by 30 minutes, allowing seven, 52 minute class periods. Along with the longer day, stiffer graduation requirements, including two years of science and math, will affect the Class of '89.

Plans to move the freshmen to the high school in the fall of 1986 were finalized. Thomas Jefferson and Ben Franklin will become middle schools with the addition of sixth graders.

The search for a new principal was also a primary concern as Mr. Johnson, VHS principal for 16 years, announced that in July 1985 he would assume the position of assistant superintendent of schools, with the retirement of Mr. Myron Knauff in January, 1985.

— Paul Jankowski



EVEN OUT OF THE CLASSROOM, students from each grade stuck together, such as Brad White, Kareem El-Naggar and Jeff Hreha in the lunchroom.



ONE OF THE FEW convocations VHS had this year was the Marine Band, sponsored by the band department. The lack

of convos was due to stricter laws passed by the state legislature.



CONGRATULATING MR. GARTH JOHNSON on his Indiana Secondary Principal of 1984 award is Mrs. Janet Hart, School Board member.

AS PART OF Operation Prime Time, Parkview School adds nine new classrooms as well as a media center and office.



TO EASE TRAFFIC FLOW within Valparaiso, the Rt. 49 bypass, a state project, will connect U.S. Hwy. 30 with the Indiana Toll Road.





Valpo "grows" with the flow

# Changing for the better



For the past 15 years, the community of Valparaiso has undergone drastic changes in order to keep up with today's fast-paced way of living. Still, more changes are occurring within the area to accommodate everyone's needs.

From the courthouse square to the County Seat mall, numerous changes have taken place in Valpo since the early seventies. Not only was a butterfly statue placed in front of the courthouse, but all of the sidewalks and streets in the vicinity were repaired. What we now know as the County Seat mall used to be nothing but an empty field.

Valparaiso High School used to be located at Ben Franklin Junior High School. The school year in which the Class of '85 entered kindergarten, 1972-73, was the first year of the "new" high school's existence.

Despite all of the changes in the past, Valparaiso continues to grow as a community. New additions, such as the Porter County Exposition Center south of U.S. 30, and the Post Office, now at the corner of Valparaiso and Vale Park Streets, are just signs that *This Is It* — Valparaiso is changing to keep up with the times.

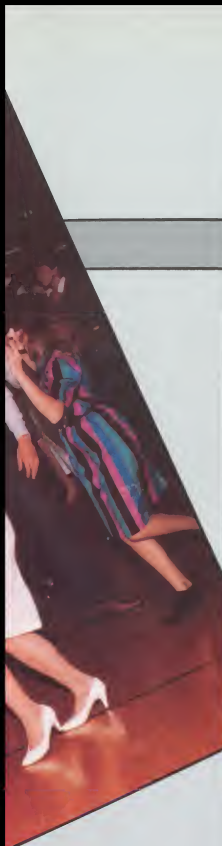
— Paul Jankowski



**NEAR COMPLETION**, the new Post Office on Vale Park Road is more readily accessible from all areas of town.

**IN MORGAN TOWNSHIP**, the new Porter County Fairgrounds and Expo Center provide greater facilities for exhibits and rides.





## An average day now will end up being a Fond Memory

As all of us approach adulthood, our lives begin to change drastically. Major changes, such as high school to college, a full-time job, or marriage will definitely have an impact on our lives. However, our high school days will be remembered as some of the best days of our lives.

Time spent with friends will most likely be remembered as the best part of high school. Going to football and basketball games, dances, parties, and movies are some of the things that actually keep some of us going at this point. Schoolwork, although it is the main reason we are together, will take a back seat to the fond memories.

Activities and other social events that we have the opportunity to participate in will not be as readily available when we reach adulthood. In reality, most of us, as we proceed in life, will not be able to participate in activities that we now can take advantage of.

Never again will we be able to go back to our high school days and start over. So, making the best out of what we have now is a good idea because *This Is It*.

— Paul Jankowski

DANCING, WHETHER AT A school dance, a sock hop, or to a radio, was a popular pasttime for many VHS students.

Student  
Life

A beginning  
to an end

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We did the  
beach —  
again.

— Senior  
Melissa  
Daniels

”

## First vs. last Days of summer

**I**t was the best of days; it was the worst of days. Feverish excitement gradually melted into depression as the first day of summer faded into the last.

Sun and sand at the Indiana Dunes provided a popular escape for the opening and close of the season. Traffic backed up for miles on U.S. 20, and pork officials had to turn people away at times. For those who made it earlier, jambaxes, suntan lotion, frisbees, and food made the day on more than one occasion. Senior Melissa Daniels said, "We *did* the beach — again."

However, the Dunes wasn't the only option. Many organizations, such as Foreign Exchange Club and choir, ended the school year with trips to Great America. Some students enjoyed the free time by "bumming around" — going to movies, eating out, and being with friends.

For some students, the onset of summer wasn't so relaxing. Several seniors plowed

through SAT's at Valparaiso University. A few students and their families braved the arduous moving process. "We were right in the middle of moving here when school let out. It was really hectic," said junior Bonnie Shoffner, formerly from Allentown, Pennsylvania.

All too soon, the days became shorter and the shadow of the school year began to linger in the not-so-far-off distance.

Shopping was a common distraction from the end-of-summer blues. Chicago department stores and Southlake Mall were popular spree sites as students browsed to supplement wardrobes and purchase school supplies.

Other activities lessened the free time before school. Many families headed back from vacation. Athletes began training in the various fall sports. Students ironed out last-minute scheduling problems in the guidance office, and sophomores got their first taste of classes during orientation.

— Pam Judson

**DURING SOPHOMORE ORIENTATION,** Katy Garrett, and Kristin Cook assist Mitch Marcus in finding classrooms the day before school begins.





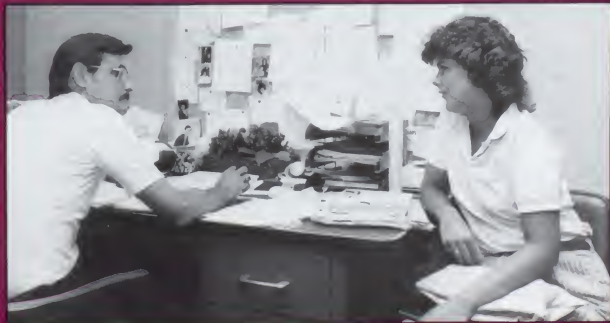


**TAKING IT EASY,** Jeff Wood, Mike Patrick, and Dave McMichael celebrate the year's end at Lake Michigan.

**BEFORE CLASSES START,** a student signs the roster to receive her copy of the 1984 VALENIAN.



**DISCUSSING HER SCHEDULE,** senior Jill Berkshire consults Counselor Jim McMichael a week before class.



# Homecoming

## Spirit to the last second

**T**ime had stopped. This was it. All eyes were glued to a pigskin missile hurling through the air ... and the kick was good! Cheers from a thousand throats heralded the last-second, 17-15 victory over LaPorte on October 5, 1984.

But it didn't stop there. Minutes earlier during half-time amidst drum rolls and a hushed audience, Norma Bielich was crowned Homecoming Queen and Holly Lafferty as Princess.

Chaired by Marcy Costas and Jamie Niland, Homecoming festivities were kicked off on Wednesday, October 3, with the junior-senior girls' Powder Puff game. Coached by Mr. Mark Hoffman, the seniors edged ahead of Coach Todd Bennethum's juniors when Kristin Cook scored the only touchdown to win the game.

Students also displayed spirit during Spirit Week, which began the preceding Monday with Hawaiian Day, Pajama Day and Jersey Day followed on Tuesday and Wednesday, with Sunglasses Day on Thursday and Friday's traditional Green and White Day.

"We organized the format at the beginning of the year," Marcy explained. "Then we organized committees, especially for the dance."

Amidst popcorn machines, footballs, and scoreboards, 143 couples attended "A Night at the Stadium" on Saturday, October 6. Tickets were \$6, and music was provided by B & B. Marcy noted, "Everything went well — there was a pretty positive response."

— Pam Judson



RELIEVED THAT IT'S OVER, Homecoming Queen Norma Bielich and Princess Holly Lafferty relax after the excitement of half-time.

1984 HOMECOMING COURT: Regina Rumford, Kathy Scott, Queen Norma Bielich, Princess Holly Lafferty, Katy Garrett, Karla Daelling.



CAUGHT IN THE CRUNCH, the Viking offense toughens its grip during the 17-15 game against LaPorte. The Vikes triumphed in the last six seconds with a field goal.

CELEBRATING THE WEEKEND, couples let go to the music of D & B at the dance in the North Balcony. Pictures, refreshments, and a graffiti board completed festivities.

— “ “ —

We organized the format at the beginning of the year.

— *Homecoming Co-chairperson  
Marcy Costas*

— ” ” —



TO FINANCE the Florida trip in the spring, sophomore Nancy Brooks serves Band Director Robert Miller at the band's annual Ham Dinner.

HELD EVERY WEDNESDAY, bake sales provided not only club funds but tasty desserts, as seniors Karla Doelling and Kellie Carmichael decide what to buy.



AT THE POPCORN FESTIVAL, sophomore Paul Stratton serves soft drinks at the FCA food booth. Proceeds finance summer camp for FCA members.

AFTER FRIDAY NIGHT GAMES, students kick off the weekend at sock hops in the North Balcony. Various clubs sponsored these throughout the year.



It's a learning experience.

— DECA Sponsor  
Judy Commers





# More than money



## Fundraisers provide service, social outlets

**W**hat do car washes, candy cane and flower sales, and food booths have in common? They were all club money makers. Since students weren't allowed to sell products to the community, fundraisers were mainly service projects, sock hops, and bake sales.

DECA sponsor Judy Commers said that fundraisers were incorporated as part of the marketing classes. "It's a learning experience," she explained. "We can plan goals and procedures in managing money and promotions." She added that proceeds went toward financing weekend expenses for state competition.

Primarily through sock hops, bake sales, and bookstore souvenirs, Pep Club bought treats and decorations for athletic teams. According to Sponsor Sharon Nuppenau, Pep Club's fundraisers served more than just the club.

To finance prom, the junior class also raised money throughout the year. According to Sponsor Mara Fiegle-Hicks, the proceeds came mainly from a carwash, computer dotting, and class dues. She noted that while the officers learned leadership skills, the students mainly worked toward a good prom.

Scheduled at the beginning of the year, money makers provided more than money. "They provided a social gathering, and students learned how to handle money and deal with people," said Assistant Principal Robert Sutton, coordinator.

— Pam Judson



# Drama's 'Harvey'

## Giving the invisible real meaning

When is a character not a character? When he's a 6'1 1/2" invisible white rabbit. Although never seen, Harvey was treated as a person by the cast and formed the basis for the fall production, "Harvey," by Mary Chase.

Centered around Elwood P. Dowd, the only character to "see" Harvey, the comedy depicted how his sister, Veta, attempted to commit him to a mental institution and the situation that resulted.

Under the direction of Ms. Alice Noble, the show was presented November 16 and 17 to a total of 450 people and the junior high schools. Tickets were \$2 and \$3 per person to cover the \$1500 production cost.

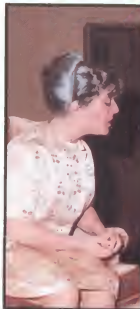
Starting in early October, the 12-member cast rehearsed after school and in the evenings, Monday through Thursday, putting in about 200 hours of acting, not including technical stage work.

"Harvey" was selected for several reasons. "It's always been a show I've wanted to do, and it was pretty well balanced as far as male and female characters. It also had a good philosophy," Ms. Noble explained.

This philosophy was expressed by Elwood Dowd: "My mother used to tell me, 'In this world, Elwood, you must be oh, so smart, or oh, so pleasant.' For years I've been smart. I recommend pleasant."

— Pam Judson

DR. CHUMLEY (Jim Dalfonso) describes psychiatric treatment to Elwood as Dr. Sanderson (Mike Patrick), Veta, Myrtle Mae, and Judge Gaffney lend him support.





**ALWAYS A GENTLEMAN.** Elwood Dawd (Brian Gill) presents Nurse Kelly (Valerie Bell) with a bouquet of dahlias before going out for the evening.

**DISCUSSING THE LAWSUIT** against Dr. Chumley, Veta Simmans (Melissa Daniels) and Myrtle Mae Simmans (Jennifer Blake) ask Judge Gaffney's (Andy Roberts) advice.

**LOOKING FOR HARVEY** in vain, Ethel Chauvenet (Elizabeth Williams) cannot understand who Elwood is introducing to her.



**It had a good philosophy.**

**— Director  
Alice Noble**



A piece  
of the ordinary

## In a day's life Closing in on 2:30

**W**hat day is this?" "I don't know — it's just like any other day." This was a common conversation. But this was the last year for these "typical days", with next year's half-hour-per-day extension and a proposed additional hour.

Usually around 7:30 a.m., the majority of students began trickling in, unless they had early-morning athletic practice. Many students spent extra time before class studying in the Learning Center or the cafeteria, or talking with friends. "I sometimes study if I have to, or talk with people," said senior Julie Henderson.

Although six hours of classes claimed most of the day, students did relax during the five-minute passing periods and lunch. During the three 30 minute lunch breaks, students not only ate but socialized in the commons or bought items at the bookstore

SCHOOL IS OVER as junior Fred Schlundt, sophomore Heidi Zierz, and senior Peter Zierz prepare to leave by a popular means of transportation.

or at bake sales. Students could not "wander the halls" because of increased class disruption. For the first time, hall monitors were stationed at the end of the commons.

Finally, the bells! Students jammed the hallways as they struggled to get to their cars or catch the "scholastic transit". Except for homework, school was forgotten until the next day.

For many students, however, the day didn't end at 2:30. Make-up work and class projects frequently kept students after school because technically the school day wasn't over until 3:30. Club meetings and sports practices often extended the day at least an hour. "After school I go to Quiz Bowl practice or tennis practice during the tennis season," explained junior Titus Tan.

While 177 of these "any other days" make up the year, they were unique in that they'd never be the same.

— Pam Judson

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It's just like  
any other  
day.

— A typical  
VHS student







**BEFORE CLASS**, seniors Matt Workman, Rino Macapagal, James Fritz, Jeff Chabai, Kevin Sienkowski, Paul Geiss, and Bob Butterfield study in the library.

**AFTER-SCHOOL ATHLETICS** and club meetings involved many students, as seniors Brian Bontrager and Matt Balla grapple for the pin in a wrestling practice.



**DURING LUNCH**, students gather in the commons area to talk or purchase desserts and supplies.



KING OF HEARTS COURT and V-teens Officers —  
*Front Row:* Jimmy Henry, King Greg Bannec, Julie  
 Henry, *Back Row:* Debbie Spejewski, Pete Brown,  
 Jill Rupnow, Matt Workman, LeAnne Harrington,  
 Freeda Prassas, Prince Eric Chilian, Laura Geiss, Scott  
 Anselm.

NEW YORK SKYLINES and neon lights shadow cou-  
 ples as they move to the music of B & B during the  
 King of Hearts Dance.



**It's an interesting turnout because  
 the girls ask the guys.**

— **Freeda Prassas**  
*V-teens Vice-President*



# A touch of travel

## Chic spots themes for holiday dances

People celebrate holidays in different ways. Gifts, flowers, and dinners are traditional gestures of merriment. Students included another way: dancing.

On December 21, Christmas took a foreign flavor as the North Balcony was transformed into French street corners and cafes for "Joyeux Noel à Paris". Tickets were \$5, and 102 couples attended Student Council's annual dance which featured history teacher Sid Reggie and English teacher Skip Bird as his artist-helper.

Valentine's Day came back to "New York, New York", complete with subways and skylines from the Big Apple on February 23 for the King of Hearts Dance. Sponsored by V-teens, King of Hearts tickets were \$6 and 155 couples attended the annual turnabout.

Highlighting the evening was the crowning of the King of Hearts and recognition of the court, escorted by V-teens officers. Greg Bannec received the king's crown and scepter, while Eric Chilian was named Prince. Seniors chose court members and all students voted for their favorite candidate by dropping change in the appropriate containers.

"It's an interesting turnout because the girls ask the guys," said Freeda Prassas, V-teens vice-president. All proceeds were donated to the American Heart Association.

— Pam Judson



SITTING ONE OUT, juniors Jeff Adney and Krista Henson relax amidst a Parisian setting during the Christmas Dance.

MEMORIES RELIVED, senior Jenny Schultz tells Santa (Mr. Sid Reggie) and his helper (Mr. "Skip" Bird) what she would like for Christmas.

# A three-ring circus

## '85 Antics rivals famed Ringling Bros.

With the year drawing to a close, life began to take a hectic pace. Sometimes it seemed the only break from the chaos was to forget everything and become a kid again.

That answer wasn't so far-fetched as the stage was set for childhood revisited during the 1985 April Antics "Three Ring Circus", presented April 19 and 20 at 7:30 p.m. Featuring dance routines, lipsync numbers, a barbershop quartet, music ranging from classical piano to rock, break-dancing, clown skits, production numbers, and orchestration under the leadership of Director Dan Pritchett, the 64-member cast provided an evening of escape for approximately 1000 students and adults.

Over a month's worth of rehearsals perfected the production. "It's not difficult to produce, but it does take more energy because there is less time to produce it than a regular play," Director/Sponsor Alice Noble explained. She noted that the show moved very smoothly because the circus characters provided a lot of transition between acts.

Although any VHS student could tryout, April Antics was produced to replenish Drama Club funds. Elaborate costumes accounted for most of the \$1200 expense, but the show still netted a profit of \$1600.

Even if life's pace was fast and furious, students could still relax for a night under "the big top". With the lights, colors, and balloons of a circus, childhood made a brief visit from the past.

— Pam Judson





**CALLING FOR HELP,** junior Amy Davis searches desperately for someone to aid junior Jeff Fischer, caught in the agony of a "toothache".

**LIPSYNCING IN BLACKLIGHT,** seniors Tracy Huber, Mike Leetz, Greg Gelselman, Kevin Sienkowski, and Rino Macopagal sway to "On Our Way".



**CONDUCTING THE CROWD,** Geraldine (senior Jeff Hreho) rouses the excitement as senior Melliso Daniels follows suit in "Jeremiah Was a Bullfrog".

**SPOTLIGHTING A SPIN,** sophomore Rick Simpson performs a popular breakdancing maneuver as senior Pete Brown concentrates on the beat.



**It takes more energy to produce than a regular play.**

— *Director  
Alice Noble*





It's not as easy  
as it looks

## Being a student Takes skill, control

**S**tress. An executive's problem or "working mother's" disorder, right? Wrong. Although not readily apparent, students also experienced and coped with stress in a variety of ways.

Perhaps the most obvious form of stress was academic pressure. Exams, term papers, and major tests produced sweaty palms many times. Preparing for college and selecting schools created a great deal of stress. "Different people encourage you to go different places, and to them, each one they mention is the best," said senior Debbie Spejewski.

Another clear-cut form of student pressure occurred in athletics. Many athletes felt some public expectations were too high. State-ranked wrestler Carl Maertz explained that people expected his every match to be better. "People don't want you just to win, but win big," he added. Cross-country runner Dave Ziegert experienced the same feeling. "Valpo's known for its distance runners, so everyone is looking for us to set the example."

Athletic pressure differed from academic pressure because of the public factor. "Grades depend only on *you*. Athletics depend on the team and the audience. With more pressure, you can't always keep it (winning) up," said basketball player Scott Aselm.

Public pressure did not only affect athletics, but the performing arts as well. Band, orchestra, and choir members frequently competed in solo and ensemble contests besides performing for audiences. Drama enthusiasts also faced public scrutiny as well as long rehearsal sessions. According to Melissa Daniels, a viola player and thespian, keeping up a performing hobby consumed a great deal of time as well as keeping up grades.

Various extracurricular activities and club offices contributed stress. *Viking Press* co-editor and Quiz Bowl President Gina Fattore explained, "I think the most stress in a leadership position is the dependence

people have on you. You want to prove yourself and not let them down."

Depending on the circumstances, stress could be helpful or hindering. Generally, students felt that it boosted their work or performance, providing a mental advantage, greater energy, and ability to cope with pressure later in life.

When stress became too great, students found different outlets. They admitted that sometimes stress could be relieved by blocking out the source and watching television, listening to music, doing something creative, talking through the situation, and remembering past successes.

Do students face more stress now than ten years ago? The answer seemed to be yes. Stricter athletic competition begins earlier, and has become more specialized overall. "The three-sport athlete has become extinct," Dave Ziegert said.

Academic expectations are higher as well. Since more opportunities are opening, people want more, creating more competition for colleges and jobs. As a result, students today strive for higher and higher goals, which may be unattainable.

Stress. Good, bad, or indifferent, for whatever reason, stress definitely had an impact on students' lives.

— Pam Judson

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— Junior  
Dave Ziegert

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# "We're outta here!"



## Awaited ritual marks the end of the line

**I**t was a phrase heard for weeks: "Only so many more days 'til we're outta here!" This battlecry, along with numerous count-down calendars, was a constant reminder of the upcoming victory. Unseasonably warm weather in April and May also helped to fire the fever, creating an atmosphere of restless excitement.

Finally, 12 years of seemingly endless preparation was totally counted down.

Baccalaureate services were held on Sunday, June 2, at 7 p.m. at the Valparaiso University chapel. The Rev. Donald H. Williams delivered the sermon.

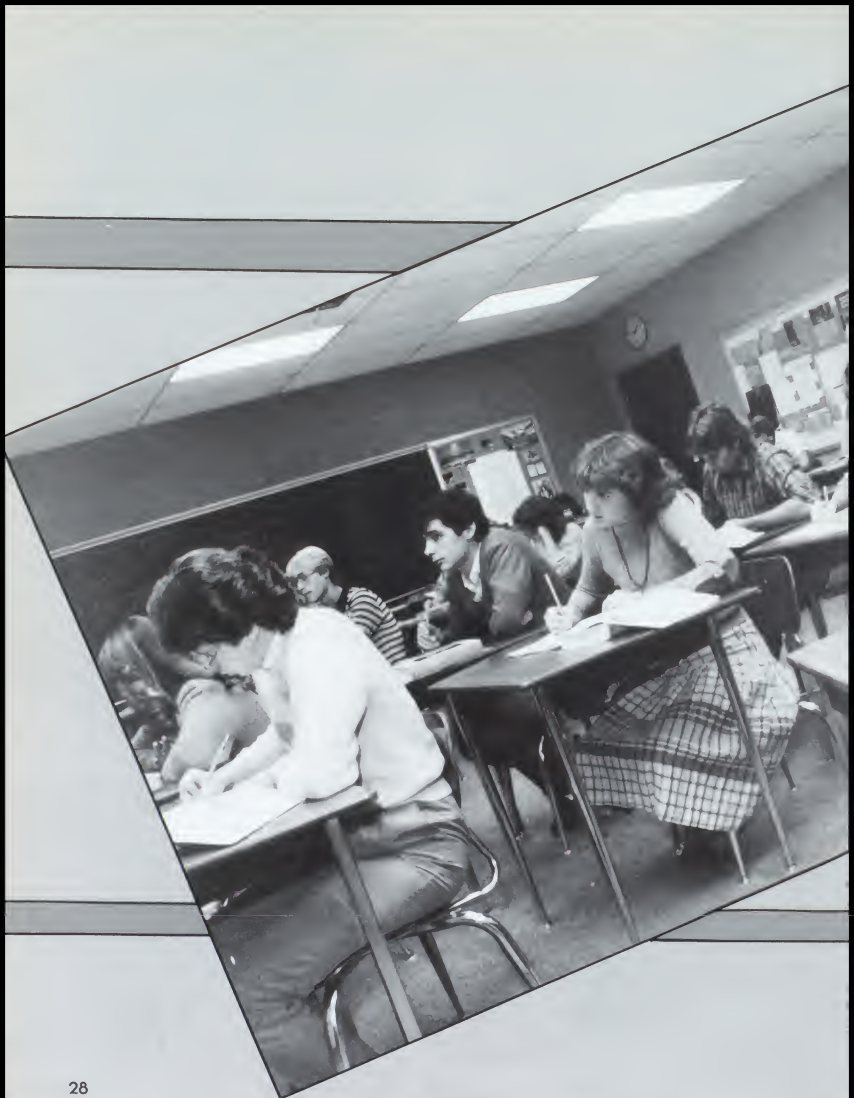
Commencement, held Wednesday, June 5, at 7:30 p.m. in the VHS gymnasium, saw the final recognition of the class of '85 as seniors. The Rev. William R. Kaster delivered the invocation, followed by speeches given by retiring Principal Garth L. Johnson, Valedictorian Tammy Benner, and Salutatorian Debra Spejewski. Superintendent R. James Risk recognized Principal Garth Johnson for his last year of principalship. Diplomas were distributed by Mr. Johnson and class president Erik Chilian, while secretary Brian Cornell and treasurer Rino Macapagal presented a rose to each graduating girl.


Following commencement, all graduates were invited to the traditional senior party at the V.U. Union, where they celebrated their new status. For 406 seniors, this was it.

— Pam Judson



AS THE CLASS of '85 of pronounced graduates of VHS, Randy Larson assists Holly Lafferty in turning her tassel to the right side of her cap.





Length of school day,  
credits to graduate

## Alter VHS tradition

With all of the changes that have taken place within Valparaiso High School and the community, no other area was more affected than that of academics. The changes that occurred within the academics area were the base of all the other transitions at VHS.

As far as breaking traditions, no other change will affect every student more than the length of the school day, which happened to be extended by 30 minutes for the 1985-86 school year. To account for this extra time, a seventh class will be added, and school will begin at 7:30 a.m.

Graduation requirements will be raised for future classes at VHS. While the number of credits required for graduation used to be 32 and raised to 35 for the Class of '85, students graduating in 1989 must receive 38 credits to graduate.

Because of new transitions that will take place in the future, students began to realize that old traditions will be a thing of the past and that *This Is It*.

— Paul Jankowski

ONE OF MANY college prep courses. Pre-Cal helps seniors prepare for the more demanding classes ahead.

Academics

DURING VOLLEYBALL CLASS junior Bonnie looks on while Kelli Shoffner jumps up to block the spike by senior Scott Anselm.

MR. MARK HOFFMAN looks on while Kelli Stowers uses the kick-board to learn the free-style kick.



## 28 choices:

Most people think only of calisthenics when physical education is mentioned, but the VHS curriculum includes a wide variety of recreational activities as well as fitness classes.

Skiing, swimming, basketball, co-ed and non co-ed classes at VHS are classes offered through the physical education department. A variety of classes is offered

to try and please all students.

Every student was given the opportunity to sign up for nine week classes in the order of their interests at the beginning of the semester, with the exception of the swimming class, explained Miss Nancy Walsh, Physical Education Chairperson.

Classes were divided into five categories: individual sports, team sports,

rhythmics, conditioning, and gymnastics, said Miss Walsh. She added that the department tries to keep up with the current interests of the students when deciding what classes to offer.

This year a cross-country skiing class was added on an experimental basis. Made possible by the Valparaiso Park System, it began second semester

and lasted for three and a half weeks.

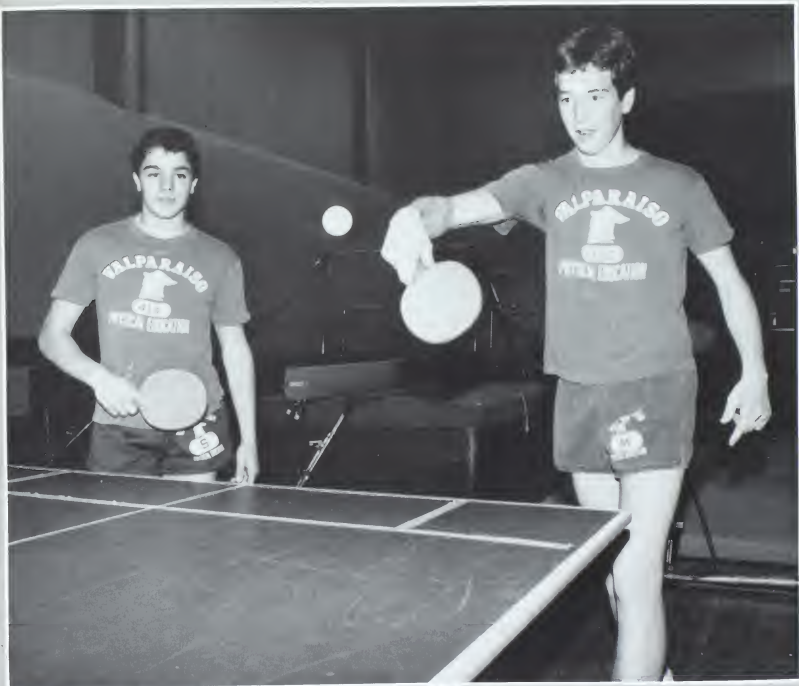
Life-time and leisure-time sports are the objectives the physical education department geared its curriculum around this year, according to Miss Walsh.

"The outcome we are anticipating is for the students to achieve the knowledge and skills necessary to maintain and enjoy a physically active life

style throughout their entire life span. Helping to build the strongest possible foundation for a life-time of physical activity is the philosophy of the department put together by the physical education teachers," she added.

— Marilyn Burton





WHILE HIS PARTNER, Tam Bartelma, watches, Dirk Chilian returns the serve to his opponent in table tennis class.



BEFORE RELEASING the ball, senior Matt Given takes the starting position during the bowling class at Inman's Bowling Lanes.

WALTER MITTY (Mr. Glen Ellis) appears unannounced for Mrs. Lebryk's Fiction and Film class, which is reading "The Secret Life of Walter Mitty" by James Thurber.

WHILE JUNIOR Thomas Burbee works the camera, Amy Sanford, Daryl Altenhof, and Mark Hand present their motor oil commercial for Speech class.



## Communication Students develop their speaking, writing skills

Not too much is known about the prehistoric man because he never fully recorded anything, due to his lack of the ability to communicate. Real history only began when man learned to communicate his thoughts to others on paper.

Just as 'man learned to develop his language, students can take their knowledge of the basics in English and develop it by taking classes offered in lit-

erature and writing.

"Most students take a lot of English, because they think the more English they take the more prepared they are for every subject," said Mrs. Judith Lebryk, English Department chairperson.

Since VHS uses the phase — elective system, students can select the three years of English classes needed for graduation and the phase according to their interests and

capabilities. "This system is better because students can take things they are interested in. Teachers can teach in their areas of expertise and students are challenged at levels of their competence," explained Mrs. Lebryk.

Along with developing a form of writing, man developed a way of communication through speaking. At VHS students are required to take a se-

mester of speech for graduation.

Speech teaches students organizational skills and how to be personable, said Ms. Alice L. Noble, speech and drama instructor.

On the first day of Speech class, Ms. Noble tells her students "If you don't learn anything else from this class learn how to make people remember you in a positive way."

Although the course offerings this year remained un-

changed, teachers in the department were tentatively making plans for the 1986-87 school year when the ninth graders will be added to VHS.

English teachers are proposing to keep the ninth grade curriculum the same and to add honors classes for the tenth grade, according to Mrs. Elizabeth Hall, English instructor.

— Marilyn Burton





AS PART OF STUDYING the Revolution Unit in American Literature class, Mrs. Jean Heckman's students discuss questions within groups.

BRITISH LIT STUDENTS Richard Fiegle, Misty Wells, Julie Henderson, Missy Warheit, and Matt Saliday celebrate poet John Keats' birthday in Mrs. Judy Lebyrk's class.

REHEARSING A SCENE from "The Odd Couple" as their comedy scene for Dramatic Arts are junior Jennifer Girtan and senior Debbie Seward.



# Change:

Young junior high students may be intimidated by all of the new state laws surrounding graduation requirements. However, most of them probably do not realize that during the freshman year, requirements for science and math are fulfilled. But starting with the Class of '89, this year's eighth graders, two years each of Science and Math will be required to graduate.

By taking math as freshmen, students meet the one year math requirement, according to Mr. Glen Ellis, math department chairman. All math classes taken in high school are considered electives, except for Basic Math,

he said.

According to Mr. Ellis, college-bound students are encouraged to take a minimum of three years of math.

"Students interested in the technical or science fields are encouraged to take at least four years of math," he explained. "Last year, only 30 students of the 405 didn't graduate with more than one year of math," added Ellis.

The science department offered a wide variety of courses so every student could be exposed to all areas. Some students do better or enjoy the practical sciences, while others are more interested in

physics and chemistry, said Mrs. Diane Lebryk, science instructor.

"Students serious about science usually take four years," said Mrs. Lebryk. "Some students take two science classes, such as Biology and Physics, the same year and this way he or she can receive four or more years of science credit," added Mrs. Lebryk.

"In recent years we have added General Chemistry, Astronomy, and Meteorology/Geology courses to our program. We've made our program more broad-based to adapt to more students taking science," said Dr. William Boyle, science

department chairman.

Recently both the math and science departments have stabilized in enrollment. However, a larger percentage of students have been taking the classes offered by each of the departments.

By word of mouth, students have found out how different classes are taught by each of the six science instructors. This has helped increase the number of students taking science, according to Lebryk.

"I think any student should take as many classes as they can while they are in high school," advised Dr. Boyle.

— Marilyn Burton



AS PART OF HER Computer class, senior Krista Allen types her program into the computer so it can be stored on a disc.

TO DEMONSTRATE how to solve algebra problems, math instructor Mr. Don Scott uses an overhead projector.





SPECTRASCOPIES MAKE it easy for Mr. Todd Den-nethum and his chemistry class to study the argon spectrum.



BEFORE BEGINNING his chemistry project, junior Richard Chrustawski lights his bunsen burner.



STUDYING A DNA MODEL are biology students Vic Baran, Michael Cappella, Stephanie Colby, and Katie Klepser.

# Explore:

## Learn about many different societies

When wandering around in a strange place where people speak differently and have different customs, it is necessary to learn about the likenesses and differences of this place compared to a familiar place, in order to communicate with people there.

Students could learn about their own country and Foreign countries by taking classes offered by Foreign Language and Social Studies Departments.

To learn about their own country, students were re-

quired to take U.S. History, Government, and Economics. As an alternative to U.S. History students could take topical classes.

These were set up to focus on history in a different way and to see it from other people's eyes and points of view," explained Mrs. Nancy Bender, Social Studies Department Chairperson.

Topical classes were semester classes, but the department proposed making them full year classes to make scheduling easier, according to Mrs. Bend-

er.

To learn how to speak and relate the likenesses of their own country to those of the strange place students could take one or more of the languages offered by the Foreign Language Department. These classes were French, German, Latin, and Spanish.

"In teaching these languages we strive for talking and understanding the language, for students to be able to read authentically, to write intelligently and to ask basic questions in the lan-

guage they take," explained Mr. Charles Geiss, Foreign Language Department Chairman.

Debbie Fray, German instructor, uses such methods as teacher-student responding and writing dialogues and composition. She also showed movies and had her students read short stories.

By taking the classes offered by these departments students have had an opportunity to learn how their country compares with others.

— Marilyn Burton



SOPHOMORES JOE MERTZ and Rachel Carey race in the Olympics on Latin Day at Valparaiso University.

AFTER READING a story, Paul Gold, Elise Daxe and David Newlin act out a scene in French class.







RESEARCHING THE LABOR project for Mrs. Nancy Bender's Economics class is Sherie Martin.

TO SEE HOW SOCIOLOGISTS do research, Matt Givin and Mike Cax, study old yearbooks during sociology.

DURING A FIESTA DAY for all the language classes, Kathy Scott prepares to hit a pinata.



# Preparations: Classes teach skills needed in everyday life

No one knows exactly what the future will be like. Even psychics have to analyze what they see but students have the opportunity to plan and prepare for their future.

To help students with their present and future life situations, the Home Economics Department offered classes ranging from food and clothing to family and single living.

By taking the elective classes in the Home Economics Department, students learned the basics for running a household, according to Mrs. Cheryl Bagnall, Home Economics Chairperson. "Overall, home economic classes prepare students to be better adults, and to be more prepared for family and single living," she added.

This year the

Home Economics Department changed the Family Management class to a Singles Living class. Since more students are living by themselves after high school, this course is geared toward the aspects of single living, Mrs. Bagnall explained.

One area which helps students prepare for the future is the Health and Safety class. Unlike the

home economic classes the health class was a required class. "Health teaches all aspects of living for students to apply to their present life and their life after high school," explained Mr. Mark Hoffman, Health Department Chairman.

Health classes cover such areas as basic hygiene and grooming, mental and emotional development, problem solv-

ing, chemical substance abuse, diseases, and fire and outdoor seasonal safety, according to Mr. Hoffman. After students completed the Health and Safety class they could take another class that deals with substance abuse.

Together, these two departments helped students prepare themselves for their future after high school.

— Marilyn Burton



EXPLAINING THE USE of fire extinguishers to the Health and safety class during a week on fire safety is Fireman Phil Griffith.



CUTTING OUT A pattern for her 1st hour Sewing class is senior Lynn Knowlton. Sewing Class is just one of the classes in the Home Economics Department.



KARA KOVALICK MEASURES the temperature of the candy she, Chad Fortune, and Jennifer Kuth are making for their Foods Class.

AS PART OF THEIR Child Development class, Vicki Far-num and Melissa Simpkins help one of the children string macaroni and Cheerios.



AFTER A WEEK of studying snowmobile safety, Minnie Ang gets to drive the snowmobile with the help of Officer Alan Fix during her Health and Safety class.

# Guidance office Eases financial fuss

**L**ife beyond high school: students faced many decisions. What to do, where to begin, and how to contact the right people were key questions that could create even more questions. For those continuing their education, in college or vocational school, financing that education could be another source of confusion.

To guide students through the maze of scholarships, grants, loans, and FAF's, the Guidance Department developed several ways that students could locate information about different financial packages.

According to Scholarship Coordinator James McMichael, many sources of information could be found in the Guidance Office itself. Many books gave listings of available financial assistance programs and how to make contact. Located in the same hall as the counselors' offices, the "scholarship table" displayed pamphlets, applications, and sign-up sheets for interested students. Also available was the Training and Educational Data Service (TEDS) in the Career Center. Students could program the types of aid they found helpful and the computer would list specific references.

Once students found sources of aid, they had to determine which ones were right for them. Scholarships included money awarded mainly for academic standards, but activities, leadership qualities, and an essay or interview also played important roles in some cases. For students demonstrating need and certain grade criteria, grants were a major source of funds. Talents eased costs for students who excelled in athletics or the arts. Loans aided students while they continued their educa-

tion, but eventually had to be repaid.

Who awarded the money? In many cases, students could obtain aid through the college or vocational school they planned to attend. National and local service organizations offered scholarships and grants often based on specific careers. Interest from college and local trust funds was also a source of aid.

After finding appropriate aid sources and applying for them, students had one more obstacle: competition. "Financial aid is extremely competitive because a lot of applicants apply, and they're all good," explained Mr. McMichael. This was particularly true for aid open to all students.

Once students cleared the competition hurdle, they were notified by letter of their accomplishments. According to Mr. McMichael, very little money changed hands but was rather transferred to the college or school directly.

— Pam Judson

Financial aid  
is extremely  
competitive.

— *Scholarship  
Coordinator  
James  
McMichael*

WITH THE TEDS system, Career Center Director Sharon Nuppenau and senior Tammy Denner find aid sources.





DISPLAYING VARIOUS PAMPHLETS and applications, the scholarship table in the Guidance Office was a vital link to future funds.



CHECKING THE LATEST college information, junior Steve Remijan browses through materials in the Guidance Office.



AS PART OF her sixth hour Shorthand class Teresa Hollandworth takes dictation in a stenographers notebook while Ms. Vella Greco dictates.

MRS BRENDA GREEN uses the overhead projector to explain unbounded reports of her first hour Typing I-II class.

ANSWERING THE TELEPHONE is just one of the secretarial jobs assigned to senior Amy Blanco during her Intensive Office Lab class.







**DECA DISTRICT COMPETITION WINNERS** — *Front Row:* Alicia Skalok, 2nd place Job Interview; Connie Beach, 4th place General Marketing; Hilary Howard, 2nd place Human Relations; Nancy Mahler, 3rd place Advertising Services. *Second Row:* Almee Antammaria, 2nd place Food Marketing; Valerie Pieratti, 3rd place, General Marketing; Tammi Ippalita, 4th place General Marketing; Jenny Cornell, 3rd place, General Merchandising; Missy Meyer, 2nd place Human Relations.

*Back Row:* Ed Fella, 3rd place, Service Station; Chris Locken, 2nd place General Marketing; Judy Whalls, 1st place Free Enterprise and 2nd place Human Relations; Tim Vitoux, 2nd place General Marketing and Free Enterprise; Mandy Johnson, 2nd place Credit and Finance. *Not pictured:* Christie Hedges, 6th place Apparel & Accessories; Mike Johnson, 5th place Service Station; Dave Pittman, 5th place Credit and Finance.



## Two-Sided

Interested in a business position or just want to know how to balance a checkbook? Maybe a business class could help. Business classes don't just teach typing and shorthand. Students can take classes to help them in their everyday lives.

The Business Department's goal is two-fold. "Classes are offered for students who want business to help them in their everyday lives as well as classes for students interested in a busi-

ness career," explained Ms. Vella Greco, Business Department Chairperson.

Most students start out taking the typing classes. "These classes help students in school as well as out of school. With the skills they learn in typing and shorthand students can get secretarial positions, right away," according to Ms. Greco.

Another class that helps students immediately is the Business Law class.

This class teaches students how to keep a checkbook, budget their money and other everyday business skills, said Mrs. Greco.

Students who have completed classes like Typing, Shorthand, and Business Machines can then take Intensive Office Lab their senior year. "This class is set up like an office. This was the final stage for students thinking about a secretarial career," said Ms. Greco.

Another aspect of

## Personal, professional business offerings

the business oriented classes is the Distributive Education class. The purpose of this class was for students to try out the business world and to have the opportunity to see how well they can handle the job world, explained Mrs. Judy Commers, Marketing and Distributive Education instructor and coordinator.

Seniors who took the Distributive Ed. class spent half the day in school and half the day working in an occupation

closely related to what they wanted after high school, Mrs. Commers said. Whether students wanted business classes to help them now or to learn skill to help them in an occupation they could find these classes in the Business Department.

— Marilyn Burton

# Achievement: Goals reached through classes

Everyone has a goal for his life. In order to achieve it, a person must get off on the right foot towards fulfilling his particular goal. Special programs were offered at Valparaiso High School in order to help students get a head-start towards fulfilling their goals.

For students interested in starting careers in such fields that deal with drafting, mechanics, and electricity, the VHS Industrial Arts Department offered various programs to get students off to a head-start in their field of interest.

One class in the Industrial Arts Department that provided excellent experience in various fields was the Industrial Cooperative Training (ICT) class. This class was open not only to VHS students, but also to students from other schools in the county. This class met in the classroom for a short time each day and students were then released to go to a real job related to their interests.

"Students enrolled in ICT in order to get started in an occupational trade," said Mr. Zane Cole, Industrial Arts Department

Chairman. "They are students interested in careers such as mechanics, plumbing, and electricity," he said.

Another class that helps students prepare for the future is Architectural Drafting, taught by Mr. Frank Horvath. This class is designed for students to learn the roles and responsibilities of an architect.

In first year drafting, students concentrate on residential structures, and during second year drafting, students are allowed to deal with more complicated design work.

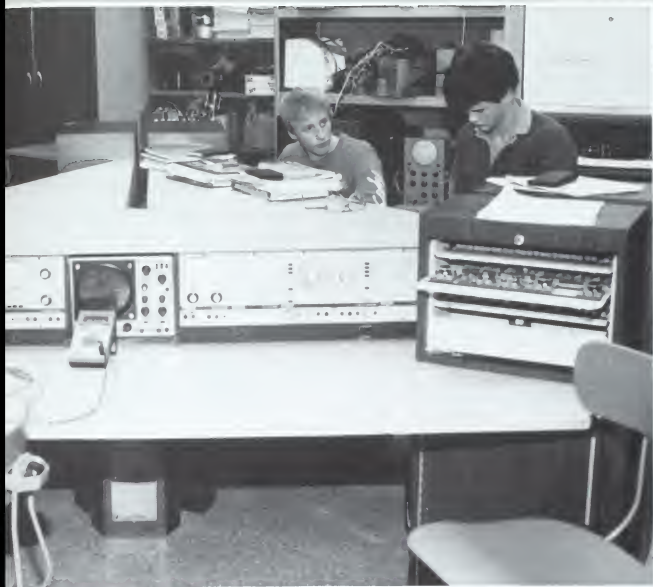
This year, a new addition to the drafting department aimed to assist students in their work. After a 2½ year wait, the IBA Computer Aided Drafting and Design (CADD) system finally arrived. At a cost of \$9000, the system helped teach students state-of-the-art drafting techniques. It was used mainly by seniors.

For students interested in the industrial arts field, the department at VHS had many opportunities for all students.

— Paul Jankowski

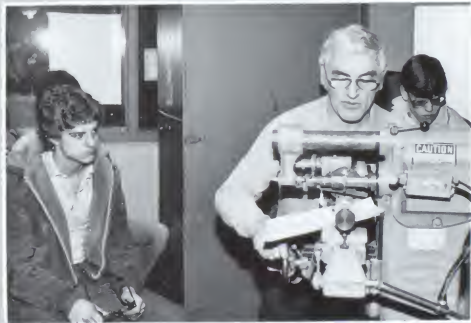
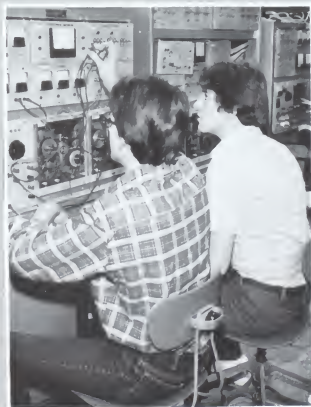
**LOOKING ON WHILE** Greg Geiselman uses the new computer in Drafting class are Tricia Meyer and Andy Diaz.





WORKING IN THE electronics room are Butch Wright, Dion Jones, and Chuck Ellis.

DURING SMALL ENGINES class, Mr. Lance Nolting helps Stu Barnett and Howard York while they work on an engine.



JEFF VAN SYOC and Rob Ulman work on an experiment on electric motors during their Electronics class.

DEMONSTRATING HOW TO cut a gear on a horizontal graph to his Machine Trades class is Mr. John Angyus.

WORKING WITH THE HANDICAPPED or SELF each day is Stephanie Morhios, a Health Orientation student.

AS PART OF the Pre-Vocational Education Program, Tim Clifford spends half his day working at Whispering Pines Nursing Home.

STUDENTS IN HEALTH OCCUPATIONS not only receive hands-on training in the career of their choice, but they also must spend time in the classroom.





# Combination: Work together with school can make up class credits

Half in and half out how some students spend their day. They spend the morning in school and afternoon in a career position for school credit.

Two classes in which students study half a day and work the other half are Dental Health and Health Occupations. Students who took Dental Health

worked in a dental office, whereas students in Health Occupations worked at SELF, in a nursing home, or a doctor's office, explained Mrs. Doris Hildreth, Health Career Coordinator and Instructor.

Before students can take these classes they must have taken Health Orientation, which is an overall view of the health fields

combined with first aid, said Mrs. Hildreth.

These classes gave students the exposure to various occupations as well as hands-on training in some of the positions, according to Mrs. Hildreth.

Occupation Lab, a Pre-Vocational Education class, was also set up for students to leave half day for credit. Other classes that students

took to just learn about jobs are: Work Orientation I & II, Basic Skills, Career Education, and, Occupation Guidance, explained Mr. Jerry Hager, Pre-Vocational Education Work Study Coordinator.

Another aspect of these uniquely set up classes are the Special Education classes. These classes were set up for students who are

Mildly Emotionally or Mentally Handicapped, with low I.Q.'s according to Miss Cindy Manalardi.

Students who worked half the day had to be in school at least half the day and received class credit for the time they worked.

— Marilyn Burton

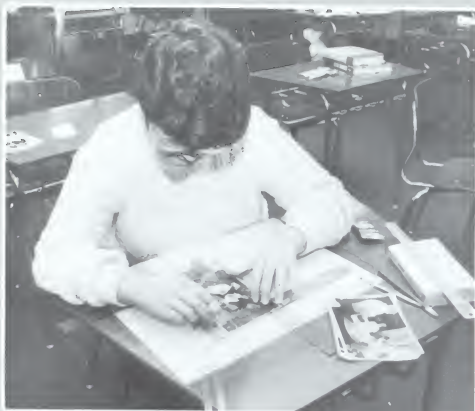


**DURING DENTAL HEALTH.** Mrs. Doris Hildreth instructs seniors Lisa Meyers and Ray Grivetti on the structure of the tooth.

**BRIAN KELLER WORKS** half the day at Costas Foods, which he can combine with the time he spends in school to receive credit in the PVE program.



USING A SCALEOGRAPH. Clubs Editor Gino Fattore determines whether a picture will fit the allotted space on the layout.



**VALENIAN STAFF:** *Front Row:* Jerry Flynn, sports co-editor; Paul Jonkowski, copy editor; Bobb Walters, layout editor; Pam Judson, features editor; Amy Davis, business editor.

*Second Row:* Gino Fattore, clubs editor; Marilyn Burton, academics editor; Lisa Ahlbrond, album co-editor; Gordon Sarmaz, sports co-editor; Stephanie Wood, sports co-editor.

*Back Row:* Karlo Doeling, album co-editor; Marcy Costos, album co-editor; Mike Patrick, photographer.

**BUSINESS MANAGER** Amy Davis makes signs to announce the sale of the 1984-85 Valenian.





BEFORE A DEADLINE, Sports Co-Editor Gordon Sormaz and Academics Editor Marilyn Burton prepare the copy for the printer.

CORRECTING ALL SECTION editors' copy is just one of the jobs of Copy Editor Paul Jonkowski.



## Transformation 200 blank pages changed into the 1984-85 Valenian

For the Valparaiso High School Valenian staff, the school year began with a blank page. Throughout the course of the year, that blank page and 199 others just like it were transformed into the pages of the 1985 Valenian.

Tackling the journalistic horror of those empty pages, the 14 member staff set out to produce a

yearbook that the students of VHS would enjoy, according to Layout Editor Barb Walters. Her job included making sure that the section editors completed layouts which were creative originals but did not violate the established guidelines.

Her counterpart, Copy Editor Paul Jankowski, had to accept all copy be-

fore it was published. Any copy which he felt did not eloquently express the topic it addressed was either rejected or revised.

Every last detail proved to be important to the scrutinizing eyes of the co-editors and Advisor Gloria Zimmerman, forcing the staff to adapt quickly to the fast paced world of publishing.

Although they

may have been overwhelmed at times with the thought of filling all 200 pages of bleak white space with vivacious copy and awe-inspiring pictures, the staff concentrated on meeting monthly deadlines, so that, piece by piece, the 1985 Valenian took shape.

However, as the year progressed, the staff began to

realize that the blank pages before them were not a menace to be conquered, but a place to record the significant happenings of a year at VHS.

For all the trials and traumas that went into it, their final product represented pieces of the past year trapped adeptly into pages which were once bare.

— Gina Fattore

# Winners

Just like the basketball team has a string of eight consecutive sectional championships, the VHS band has a winning streak of its own.

For the seventh straight year, at least 20 band members have been selected to play in the All-State Band. This year, a record 25 Valparaiso musicians were members of the All-State Band. No other school in the state has ever had 20 or more participants, and the second most this year was a school which had 18 students selected, according to "A" Band Director Robert Miller.

Individually, students in band did exceptionally well in the district contest at Portage and at the state contest at Butler University. For solo and ensemble, the musicians are evaluated on seven categories ranging from technique to preparation and memorization.

According to Mr. Miller, approximately 85 percent of VHS musicians received first place ratings at the district contest, while 35 firsts were given at the state contest.

Valparaiso High School band members are not only recognized statewide for their excellence

in music, but also nationally. Jim Miller, a senior trombonist, was one of two musicians to be selected as an Indiana representative in the McDonald's All-American Band. Jim played with the McDonald's Band in the Macy's Parade in New York and in the Rose Bowl parade in Pasadena on New Year's Day.

The process by which Jim was selected for the band was very competitive, according to Mr. Miller. In Indiana, 5,000 applications were sent in along with a tape of a required piece of music. The two people who the judges thought played the

tape the best were chosen, and Jim was one of two musicians in Indiana to be selected.

During the basketball season, some of the members of the band volunteered to play in the pep band, which, for the eighth consecutive year, had student directors. Seniors Jeff Wood and David McMichael were the directors this year.

"Each year, the band has different strengths and weaknesses. The last five years have been very consistent," said Mr. Daniel Pritchett, "B" band director.

— Paul Jankowski



**A BAND MEMBERS** — *Front Row:* Cristy Kelly, Wendy Pelaso, Susan Brown, Mary Kaster, Ann Christianson, Jill Ruppnow, Amy Miller, Laura Hartwig, Debbie Spejewski, Julie Henderson, Linda Sanford, Cindy Lait. *Second Row:* Susan

Freese, Angela Bowden, Kim Madura, Phil Catrell, Jeff Wood, Chrissy Bondie, Marya Martin, Missy Faber, Andy Rass, Nate Schmall, Ray Harris, Todd Wagenblast, Jeff Barber, David McMichael. *Third Row:* Susan Halcamb, Deanne Spejewski,

Heather Banks, Andrea Herrick, LeAnne Harrington, Christine Mueller, Mike Patrick, Pete Kickbush, Chris Reichert, Brian Klemz, Brian Gill, Tim Prahlow, Greg Bannec, Jim Miller. *Back Row:* Bill Thompson, Greg Barth, Craig Meyers, Jim Dimitri,

Brendan Grube, Kareem ElNaggar, Tracy Huber.

**REHEARSING FOR THE Concert Band contest** are Christine Mueller, Ray Huber, and Brian Klemz.





DRUM MAJOR MARY Koster leads the marching band during their pre-game performance at a football game.

AT THE POPCORN Festival Parade band members Julie Henderson and Wendy Pelosa carry the band banner.



**BAND MEMBERS** — *Front Row:* Melissa Hutton, Laretta Kenning, Tammi Whall, Steve Pilz, Amy Barber, Elizabeth Versteeg, Kim Laaff, Julie Shook, Karen Herrick, Jennifer Hall, Kristin Wheeler, Karen Mutka. *Second Row:* Alysia Miller, Michelle Klienfelner, Mark

Ambling, Amy Ersperer, Nancy Braak, Melany Kolczak, Julia Betjemann, Kristin Grass, Lynnea Cale, Carrie Mapes, Lori Johnson, Kathy Kasper, Patty Bird, Carolyn Simon. *Third Row:* Kara Droegge, Jewel Carlos, Shelly McMirchery, Tammy Mahaney, Marc

Jones, Mike Kaster, Andy Roberts, Keith Diggerstaff, Mark Sivavica, Mike Dahlover, Liz Etzler, Justin Gericke, Paul Stratton, Miss: Cleis, Carolyn Miller, Forth Raw, Lauren Huck, Mike Crowder, Ted Trast, Jeff Sensenbaugh, Steve Beiser, Craig Anderson, Lance Lemman.



**ORCHESTRA** *Front Row:* Wolfgang Tsautsauris, Shayne West, Amy Parry, Jamie Costas, Beth Masters, Becky Adkins, Lisa Epple, Jim Peyron. *Second Row:* Tammy Mahaney, Stacy Evans, Bob Richards, Kris Egalft, Amy Baker, Amy Hafteizer, Jeff Dennington, Devvie McDannel, Kristin Wheeler, Karen Mufka. *Third Row:* Liz Elzler, Willie Harbison, Elizabeth Maady, Jennifer Henderson, Jahanna Scraggins, Wendy Burner, Carolyn Evans, Heidi Harris, Lari Dickson, Julie Mullett, Kris Kalina, Amy Barber. *Fourth Row:* Julia Bentjamen, Kristin Grass, Andrew Roberts, Lauren Huck, Craig Anderson, Lance Lemman, Jeff Sensenbaugh, Mark Jones, Mark Siravica, Ted Frast, Mike Crowder, Diana Maniac.



**SWING CHOIR:** *Front Row* Nancy Ducat, Becky Daering, Liz Cuson, Linda Stark, Cindy Chavez, Steve Aardema, Valerie Dell, Anu Streisto, Akemi Ichihasi, Calleen Mitchell, Jennifer Blake. *Second Row* Scott Banks, Bob Ducat, Todd Miller, Kevin Maxey, Chad Clifford, Shawn Will, Pat Storesino, Kaz Chuja. *Back Row:* Andy Griffin, Dave Frabish, Jim Dalfansa, Gregg Bunning, Todd Mack. *Not pictured* Diana Maniac, Wendy Casban, Carissa Casban, LeAnne Ronda.

**CAROLYN EVANS** PLAYS HER viola during sixth hour Orchestra class.





# Expanding:

Most students listen to the radios during the day and occasionally sing along. Yet at VHS there are some students who broaden their music exposure and build up their musical ability.

At VHS 26 of these students play in the Orchestra. Orchestra, which meets as a class consists of 14 violins,

six violas, four cellos, and two basses.

"Students take orchestra to learn instruments and different types of music," explained Mr. Robert G. Miller, Director of Music for Valparaiso Community Schools. Orchestra music is not just classical music. Students also played pop tunes and contemporary music,

he added.

This year the orchestra participated in the Northwest Indiana String Festival along with other schools. It also played in concerts and went to contest. Individuals also went to solo and ensemble contest and some went onto state, said Mr. Miller.

Other students of

## Some students take classes to broaden musical skills

VHS joined choir, which is divided into two classes, Concert Choir and Girls' Glee Club. Students in Choir could also have joined the Carolers, an extracurricular swing choir, explained Mr. Bernard A. Butt, Choral Director.

In addition to performances and contests, the students also put on a Cobo-

ret Dinner in the spring which consisted of a meal and a show combined, said Mr. Butt.

While most students just listen to music there are others who make their talents known in Orchestra and choir.

— Marilyn Burton



**GIRLS' GLEE CLUB** — *Front Row:* Heidi Eder, Nadine Steere, Lisa Hittinger, Tonia Davis, Candy Desarro, Susan Roberts, Sherry Chambers, Allison Lennix, Becky Mawbray. *Second Row:* Adria Briggs, Donetta Decker, Jessica Hafferth,

Monika Carey, Rhonda Hardesty, Donna Chaney, Julie White, Jennifer Stewart, *Back Row:* Tami Hamrick, Cheryl Dye, Chris Spencer, Kelli Stawers, Michelle Karall, Kim McNeil.



**CONCERT CHOIR** — *Front Row:* Koz Chuha, Liz Cuson, Linda Stark, Lesley Hough, Akemi Ichihashi, Lisa Bucher, Valerie Bell, Gregg Bunning. *Second Row:* Chad Clifford, Whendy Casbon, Cindy Heimberg, Mary Clifford, Ana Seisto, Julie Cleveland, Kris DeMick, Becky Doering, Bryan Deller. *Third Row:* Todd Miller, Todd Mack, Kris Pequero, Pam Edwards, Mitchell Yader, Colleen Mitchell, Nancy Ducot, Cindy Chavez, Jennifer Blake. *Back Row:* Pat Staresino, Tim Wright, Jim Daltonso, Bob Ducot, Paul Marshall, Scott Banks, Steve Aardema, Dave Frabish, Jeff Ronco, John Steider, Kevin Maxey.

JUNIOR KATHY HENRIQUES prepares to mount her picture by using the press in her Photography class.

TO CHECK TO SEE if his photograph is in focus, Marty Cain uses a focusing device.



WORKING ON HER project for art class, junior Tammy Carlson creates flowers out paper mache.

# Deviation:

Tests, papers, and quizzes can all be associated with the daily stress of academic life. However, some students opted to expand their creative talents in a more relaxed atmosphere.

For these students, Art and Photography classes served as outlets. "I

enjoyed the painting and drawing since it provided an escape from other classes," remarked junior Susie Stewart.

Certain students continued their education in art because it would benefit them in their future careers. "Since I might pursue art later, I need-

ed the classes now," said junior Dave Andrick.

Others merely wanted to satisfy their curiosities. "I was always interested in cameras, and taking photographs. I now know how to use one," said senior Pat Robinson, a student in Photography class.

A variety of courses were offered from Advanced Design to Ceramics. Students were given opportunities in studying areas ranging from three dimensional design to graphics.

Students taking Photography were given hands-on training in using en-

largers and developing their own pictures.

Many students found outlets after school, but there were outlets in school where students could use their talents.

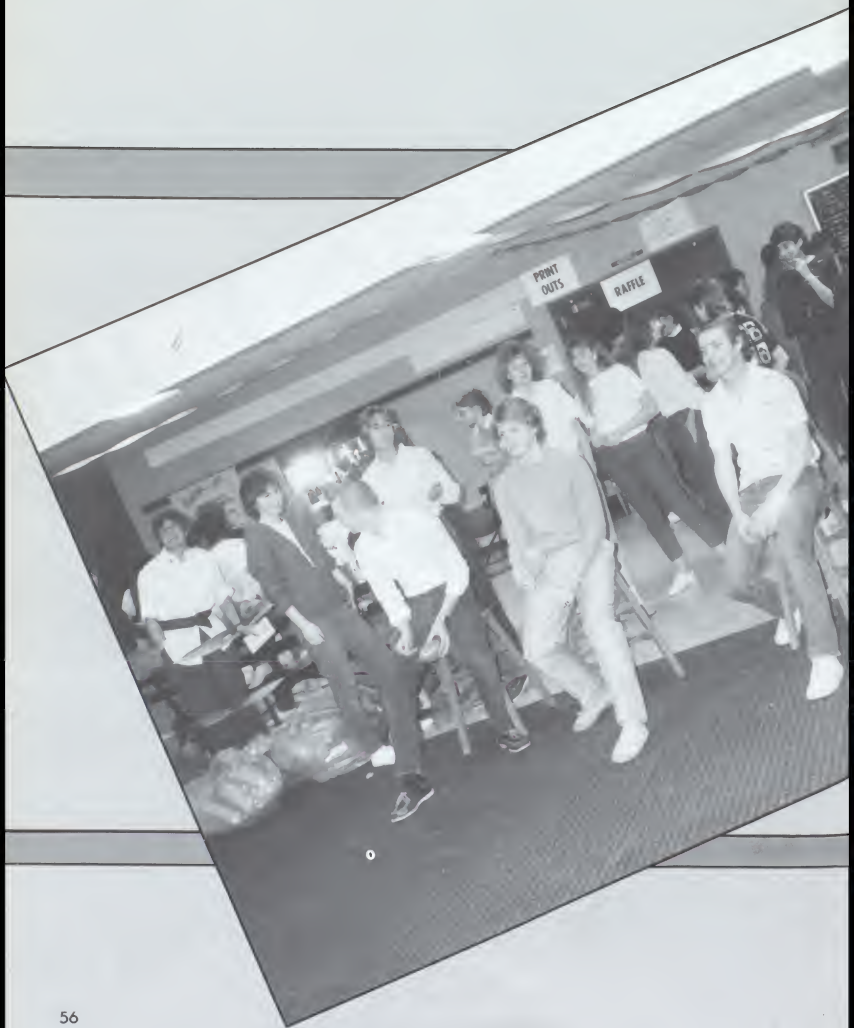
— Gordana Sormaz



FOR HER ART PROJECT, Katie Whittlinger uses paper mache to create an abstract form.



DURING THE ART II class, John Hrapek makes the frame of his paper mache car out of wire.





## Clubs offered to VHS students to help Broaden Horizons

Most people, at one time or another, have been told by their parents or by others to "broaden your horizons." The true meaning of this expression may be somewhat vague to most people, but it can be assumed that it means "to get involved."

In order for students to broaden their horizons, various clubs were offered at Valparaiso High School that students could get involved in. These clubs ranged from Foreign Exchange Club, the most populous in the school, to Quiz Bowl, a club which competes with other clubs from surrounding schools in the area.

However, various clubs were available to cater to students' particular interests. Gaming Club, Pep Club, and DECA were just three examples of the wide variety of clubs that were offered to students at VHS.

With this variety of activities to participate in, students had to take advantage of these opportunities to "broaden their horizons" before it was too late because *This Is It*.

— Paul Jankowski

BESIDES BAKE SALES and sockhops, the annual Winter Carnival was a major fund raiser for all VHS clubs.

Clubs





BECAUSE DAMAGE TO the D.J.'s amplifier caused a delay in the dancing at a Student Council-sponsored sac-hap, Michelle Dauglas, Traci Krynski, Stacy Cande, Jamie Niland and Jason Alvarez engage in an informal game of charades.

**STUDENT FACULTY SENATE** — *Front Row* Veranica Vas, Pam Judson, Debbie Spejewski, Felicia Grabawski. *Second Row*, Regina Rumford, Laura Testa, Elizabeth Williams, Barb Walters, Carolyn Evans, Susan Brown. *Back Row* Jan Bergesan, Robert Suttan, Wes Maiers, Dianne Lebryk, John Pinkerton. *Not Pictured* — Bill Bayle, Kary Garrett, Biff Geiss, Paul Geiss, Julie Henderson, Jim McMichael, Kathy Scott, Judy Whalls, Barb Wamacks, Rhonda Yelton.



# For the students, by the students

In 1776, American colonists declared that they wanted government for the people, by the people, and then proceeded to fight and die for it. However, at VHS, such government, for the students, by the students, exists without similar sacrifice. As a matter of fact, the existence of this democratic, representative, student government consisting of Student Faculty Senate and Student Council was often overlooked.

Facing problems many students were oblivious to, Student Faculty Senate worked to improve communication between the staff and the students by hearing both sides of controversial issues. Also, the Senate provided needed financial aid to any VHS organization and periodically gave Simple Pat on the Back Awards to deserving students and faculty.

While Student Faculty Senate representatives voiced the opinions of the student body on many issues, Student Council specifically made sure that student interest was taken into account in planning the year's activities. Besides the annual Christmas dance, Student Council sponsored the Winter Carnival and soc-hops.

According to President Laura Testa, the organization of these and other events was time-consuming, but the satisfaction gained from doing something constructive for VHS students made it worthwhile.

Although members of the student government made sacrifices of time, not blood, they, like their forefathers, insured for all the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

— Gina Fattore



STUDENT COUNCIL OFFICERS — *Front Row:* Rachel Miller, secretary; Steve Remijan, sergeant-at-arms; Norma Bielich, treasurer. *Back Row:* Laura Testa, president; Elizabeth Williams, vice president.

AT A STUDENT COUNCIL meeting, senior Donna Allen adds to the discussion concerning the theme of the Christmas dance.

# Staying in fashion by serving others

Fashion encompasses much more than just clothes. From schools and careers to names and neighborhoods, everything has a certain amount of status attached to it. While these fashions may change daily, from the parable of the Good Samaritan to Florence Nightengale to modern day, it has always been fashionable to help others.

One of three clubs which mirrored that sentiment was SADD, Students Against Driving Drunk. In its first complete year at VHS, it helped to educate students about the dangers of drunk driving, the number one killer of teenagers. SADD members and their parents were required to sign a contract promising not to drive drunk.

As SADD showed students the horrible affects of drunk driving, YARC, Youth Association for Retarded Citizens showed its members the benefits

of working with the retarded clients. After a one-year absence, YARC returned to VHS because of the efforts of seniors Leanne Harrington and Julie Rader. Attending a VHS football game and a Halloween party were two activities YARC organized for their clients.

While SADD and YARC were clubs aiding a specific cause, V-Teens worked to help many different people in the school and community. Giving Thanksgiving food baskets to needy families and donating profits from the King of Hearts Dance to the Porter County Heart Fund were two traditional projects.

V-teens projects, plus those of YARC and SADD, proved that dedication to a cause and providing service without a price tag were still the height of fashion.

— Gina Fattore





AT THE YARC Halloween party, sophomore member Carolyn Miller performs a dance maneuver with Marty Ross, one of the clients from the Sheltered Workshop.



V-TEENS OFFICERS — Debbie Linton, treas.; Jill Rupawn, sec.; Leanne Harrington, pres.; Freedo Prassos, vice pres.; Debbie Spejewski, program chair.



MATT WORKMAN, FREEDA Prassos, Erik Chilian, Laura Geiss and Scott Anselm applaud as Leanne Harrington crowns Greg Bonnac. Julie Henry holds the King's scepter.



SADD OFFICERS — Front Row: Kellie Cormichael, pres.; Mark Hoffman, sponsor; Kate McNeill, vice-pres. Back Row: Cassie Tucker, sec.; Amy Hafziezer, treas.

YARC OFFICERS — Front Row: Leanne Harrington, vice president; Julie Roder, president. Back Row: Mark Tanner, treasurer; Andy Diaz, secretary.

# Attainable futures

Charles Kettering, an American inventor of many improvements for early automobiles, once said, "My interest is in the future because I am going to spend the rest of my life there." At VHS, this philosophy was mirrored by the efforts of DECA, OEA, and VICA.

Comprised of 41 members, Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) allowed students to develop skills in the field of marketing. According to Sponsor Judy Cammers, competition was its major activity. Profits from a sock-hop and the candy cane sale were used to send members to contests as far away as San Francisco.

Office Education Association (OEA) was a club open to seniors who took Intensive Office Lab, vocational training for office occupations. Some of the clubs' activities, such as bake sales and a sock-hop, not only raised money which was used to pay entry fees

for state and local contests, but also fastened the idea of teamwork which is essential to office work, said Mrs. Cindy Stalbaum, sponsor.

Encompassing students enrolled in many different vocational classes, Vocational Industrial Clubs of America (VICA) was another club which helped students to prepare for future careers, specifically in the fields of electronics, architecture, machine trades, and health occupations. These clubs organized such projects as a raffle for free gas or selling handmade Christmas ornaments to finance annual spring banquets and other activities.

By participating in DECA, OEA, and VICA, students demonstrated their wisdom, for according to John Milton, "To know that which before us lies in daily life is the prime wisdom."

— Gina Fattore



MRS. MARY RYBAK purchases some lunchtime treats from senior member Suzanne Gudino at an OEA bake sale. Junior Mike Micliche and sophomore Tom Zimmerman are next in line.

DURING THEIR ANNUAL candy cane sale, DECA members find that an assembly line is the most productive way to attach messages and ribbons before distribution.





#### OFFICE EDUCATION ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

— Front Row: Lori Johnson, vice president; Rita Burns, president. Back Row: Mary Clifford, historian-reporter; Tracey Hughes, secretary; Natalie Goodwin, treasurer. The officers help to organize the club's activities which are social as well as academic.



VICA PRESIDENTS — Front Row: Paulo Jose, dental health. Back Row: Kelley Patrick and Mike Bolongio, machine trades. Not Pictured: Greg Geiselman and Guy Kosmoski, architecture; Margaret Pollock, health occupations; John Vajda, ICT; Jeff Veatch, electronics.



DECA OFFICERS — Ed Ferlo, president; Judy Wholls, Student Faculty Senate rep.; Hilary Howard, historian-reporter; Connie Beach, treasurer. Not Pictured: Joe Hofferth, secretary; Tim Vitoux, vice president.

ON NHS FLOWER DAY, senior members Kary Garrett and Kris Sirovica work before school sorting carnations for delivery.



BECAUSE February 14 was a "Snow Day," Jason Mesches delivers belated Valentine messages to a classroom.

AT THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY induction ceremony, President Scott Wagenblast begins by introducing current members.



# Striving to achieve diverse excellence

In today's society, emphasis is put on excelling in one individual area. Although success in one area brings recognition to many people, National Honor Society recognizes those who excel in four given areas.

Acceptance into NHS is based on scholarship, service, leadership, and character.

To be considered for this elite group, juniors must have a 3.5 grade point average and seniors must maintain a 3.2. Teacher recommendations play a large role in the final decisions. "Scholarship is important, but the teacher rating does matter," said NHS Sponsor Jean Heckman.

Although the society is primarily to honor those having scholarship, service, leadership, and character, encouraging the continued growth in

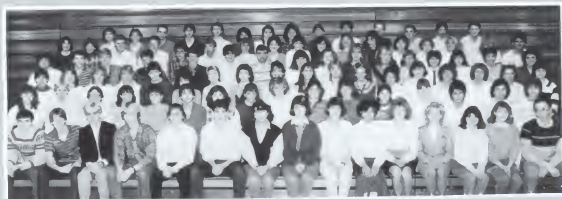
these areas is also important.

NHS made itself available to serve the school whenever needed. Providing assistance at the Parent Night has been one of the many services NHS has done in recent years.

To raise money for a senior scholarship, NHS sponsored the annual Valentine's Day flower sale. Mrs. Heckman considers this activity as a service as well as a fund-raiser. "It has become more of a tradition. People expect it of us," she said.

Although today's society emphasizes one dimensional living, National Honor Society recognizes those that excel in many valuable aspects of life.

— Stephanie Wood



NHS — *Front Row:* J. Mortz, J. Fiegle, J. Mesches, R. Fiegle, J. Dorber, S. Wagenblast, S. Conde, L. Geiss, L. Ailes, M. Mocapagal, S. Holcomb, L. Bucher, V. Vos, D. Linton, G. Morton. *Second Row:* R. Meyers, M. Wallace, P. Cottrell, N. McQuillon, L. Reggie, K. El-Noggor, C. Lott, W. Peloso, J. Henderson, D. Spejewski, C. Evans, J. Correll, E. Williams, L. Testo, L. Chester, L. Sanford. *Third Row:* A. Frey, S. Marshall, L. Houser, S. Johnson, K. Sirovico, M. Daniels, B. Walters, P. Judson, J. Vorelo, J. Thiry, L. Nuechterlein, D. Moniak, K. Molitoris, C. Mueller, M. Morrin, D. Howard, K. Scott. *Fourth Row:* G. Fottore, C.

Maertz, S. Allen, F. Bomesberger, B. Klemz, B. Harris, S. Wills, K. Krause, C. Alexo, J. Hordebeck, K. Highland, C. Kelly, M. Ang, A. Herrick, F. Prossas, L. Stonzok. *Fifth Row:* D. Kobok, K. Allen, P. Marshall, T. Prohlow, D. Czekaj, J. Bouche, L. Hottwig, S. Meyer, T. Benner, K. Keck, D. Seward, S. Brown, A. Ku, J. Fritz, M. Evans, J. Veorch, J. Miller. *Back Row:* B. Brickley, K. Garrett, D. Schenck, T. Wagenblast, G. Chester, S. Frye, K. McNeill, M. Crownover, P. Hordwick, T. Tan, J. Fritz, C. Becker, B. Wojcik, M. Zierz.

**VIKING PRESS STAFF** — *Front Row:* Marilyn Burton, Pam Judsan, Gina Fattare, editors. *Back Row:* Julie Bodensteiner, Millie Sarmaz, typists; Mike Patrick, photographer; Debbie Kabak, assistant editor. *Not pictured:* Mrs. Zimmerman.



**QUILL AND SCROLL** — *Front Row:* J. Flynn, P. Jankowski, B. Walters, P. Judsan, A. Davis. *Back Row:* G. Fattare, K. Daelling, M. Burton, M. Castas, L. Ahlbrand, M. Patrick, G. Sarmaz, S. Wood. *Not pictured:* D. Kabak, Sponsor G. Zimmerman.

# Journalists using power responsibly

Journalists were making the headlines in more than one way during the opening months of 1985. Besides actually writing the news, some were making their own news in court as both *Time* magazine and CBS News were sued for libel. These suits indicated the precarious position of the press in modern society and showed the responsibility which is part of the world of journalism.

Uniquely qualified to fulfill that responsibility, the staff of the Viking Press worked throughout the year to bring to VHS students clear, concise news about the people and events which shaped the school year.

Once a month the newspaper was distributed at the high school and the December and April issues were circu-

lated to all students of the Valparaiso Community School System. These issues included a letter from Superintendent Risk and news from the elementary and junior high schools.

Students enrolled in journalism, Valenian staff members, and the student editors provided the copy which was edited by Advisor Gloria Zimmerman. Story ideas, headlines, and layouts were all organized by the editors.

Many of the students who were responsible for the publication of the Viking Press were also members of Quill and Scroll, a national honorary society for student journalists with a year's experience who were in the top third of their academic class.

— Gina Fattore



BECAUSE ALL VHS students receive a copy of the Viking Press, Pam Judson sorts the papers for delivery to first hour classes.

VIKING PRESS EDITORS Pam Judson and Gina Fattore and assistant editor Debbie Kobak work to complete the pages of the March issue.



More than just  
in a classroom

## In a different way Teachers interact

**D**uring the day they were teachers with ordinary classes, lecturing, testing, grading. After 2:30 p.m., they met with another group of students, but not as a class — as a club.

Providing guidelines for officers, encouraging ideas, paperwork, and chaperoning certain activities were some responsibilities of sponsors. They did not, however, "run" the club, because they felt that since clubs belonged to the students, the students should organize them. "I'm here to be the adult chaperon — it's their club, not mine," explained Mrs. Sharon Nuppnau, Pep Club sponsor.

Most sponsors agreed that the time the club demanded from them varied during the year. During busy seasons, such as dances, major fundraisers, and elections/inductions, the work could be very time-

consuming. At other times, regular meetings were the only activities.

Teachers usually became sponsors when the administration announced an available opening. "I think it's important for teachers to be involved with students in other ways than a classroom. I felt a real need to be involved, so I said I wanted to help," noted Mrs. Jean Heckman, National Honor Society co-sponsor.

Why would teachers take on the added responsibilities of a sponsor? Mainly to get to know students in a different way. V-teens Sponsor Elizabeth Hall said that it was very gratifying to work with students in a different capacity outside of a classroom. Mrs. Brenda Lott, Foreign Exchange Club co-sponsor added, "It's a joy to work. It is sometimes fatiguing, but it's really a delight to work with students who want to be part of something."

— Pam Judson

It's important for teachers to be involved with students in other ways than a classroom.

**NHS**  
Co-sponsor  
Jean  
Heckman

BESIDES WORK, Drama Club Sponsor Alice Noble enjoys the fun times as she discusses events of the pizza party with president Melissa Daniels.





ENCOURAGING IDEAS. V-reens Sponsor Elizabeth Hall helps president LeAnne Harrington at a meeting.

LENDING AN EXTRA HAND. Student Council Sponsor Bill Boyle collects money for a sock hop.



# Athletes and fans helping each other

When the 1984 Summer Olympic Games were held in Los Angeles, American flags waved in abundance as the nation held its breath at the sheer wonder of athletic endeavor. With Americans winning a plethora of gold medals, the mass media soon proclaimed the rebirth of the United States as the world's leading nation.

The Olympics showed just how much the world of sports can influence society at large. This observation was mirrored at VHS by the efforts of two organizations, Pep Club and Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Throughout the changing athletic season, Pep Club was the twelfth man on the football field and the sixth man on the basketball court, according to President Kathy Scott. By organizing sportheads who hung signs, decorated lockers, and sent candy to athletes on game days, Pep Club

helped to remind team members that the school was proud of them, explained Sponsor Sharon Nuppnau.

While Pep Club demonstrated how the school can help athletes, FCA showed how athletes can help the school and community. Composed of about 70 VHS team members, the club sponsored service projects such as visiting nursing homes and sending food baskets to needy families. Funds to send members to camp were raised by the chili supper and by selling hamburgers at the Popcorn Festival, said Sponsor Dale Ciciora.

Although athletic contests at VHS do not have the world-wide significance of the Olympic Games, Pep Club and FCA proved that VHS athletes and their fans can make a difference.

— Gina Fattore



SENIORS MISSY WARHEIT and Kathy Scott and junior Kris Scott work on their entry in Pep Club's Spirit Week car decorating contest.

AT THE ANNUAL FCA chili supper, three-year member Noro Murphy enjoys her chili before attending the Volpo-Highland home game.



**FCA OFFICERS** — *Front Row:* Paul Geiss, vice president; Nora Murphy, president. *Back Row:* Katy Garrett, secretary; Norma Blelich, treasurer.



**PEP CLUB OFFICERS** — *Front Row:* Kathy Scott, president; Marcy Costas, homecoming chr.; Nora McQuillan, treasurer. *Back Row:* Regina Rumford, cheerleader rep.; Jamie Niland, homecoming chr.; Chris Razus, Vikette rep.

**FCA MEMBERS** Kim Demick, Kaye Keller, Kay Woodruff, Katie Hofferth, and Paul Stratton help the club's hamburger stand at the Popcorn Festival raise about \$750 which was used to send members to FCA summer camp.

IN A VICTORY over Wheeler, the VHS Quiz Bowl team uses the 15 seconds allowed for math questions to do same calculations.

SENIOR DAVID CZEKAJ helps his sister Marie to lock her boots into the bindings while intramural skiing at The Pines.



GAMING CLUB MEMBERS Mike Wallace, Joe Johnston, and Phil Cartrell participate in the opening round of a Risk tournament.

QUIZ BOWL PARTICIPANTS — *Front Row:* Katie Douglas, Ann Frey. *Second Row:* Jeff Barber, Mark Kleehammer, Laura Geiss. *Third Row:* Sponsor Dianne Lebryk, Debbie Spejewski, Carolyn Evans. *Back Row:* Gina Fattare, Pat Kim, Titus Tan.



PARTICIPATING IN the new intramural sport, Hapkida, Bannie Nicholas, Amy Parry, Debbie McDannel, Rita Burns and Lori Wardrap are led in warm-ups by Dan Pinkowski.





# Contests without ulterior motives

On a normal weekday, eight hours of television air time is devoted to game shows where contestants win huge sums of money by playing games. However, the money given away on game shows is only a fraction of what some professional athletes are paid to do nothing but play games. Similarly, VHS students had three unique opportunities to join clubs devoted to playing games.

Quiz Bowl, an option for the academically inclined, combined the buzzer system and time limit of a game show with Trivial Pursuit-type questions. In competitions against teams such as Chesterton, the nine-member team finished their fall season with a record of 4-3.

For those whose interests included games such as Risk, Dungeons and Dragons, and chess, Gaming Club was

a popular choice. The club met the first Monday of every month, but held special tournaments frequently.

However, for students more concerned about challenging their bodies, not their minds, VHS offered eleven intramural seasons. Coordinated by Mr. Mark Hoffman, intramurals gave all students a chance to participate in relaxed athletic competition for a nominal fee in sports such as basketball, tennis, and weightlifting.

Although VHS intramural athletes, Gaming Club members and Quiz Bowl participants were never offered million-dollar rewards for winning their games, all three clubs exemplified the true nature of competition. After all, having fun is what it's all about.

— Gina Fattore



GAMING CLUB OFFICERS — Joe Johnston, vice president; Phil Cottrell, president; Gregg Kendrick, secretary-treasurer.

# Talented teenagers steal the spotlight

Movies about teenagers have always been popular, but movies starring teenagers, such as *The Breakfast Club*, only recently came into vogue.

Regardless of movie industry casting trends, teenage performers have always stole the show at VHS Drama Club productions. To go even one step further, Drama Club provided students with opportunities in directing and producing.

Members were encouraged to audition for roles in the fall play and April Antics. Funds necessary to put on either a play or musical, ranging from \$3000 to \$6000, were raised by April Antics because the club has to spend very little to put on the annual all-school talent show, Sponsor Alice Noble explained.

Besides working on their own pro-

ductions, members also got a chance to see professional shows such as *Cats* and *Second City* in Chicago. Parties, including a pizza party and a Surf's Up party, were held in addition to regular monthly meetings.

Once members have completed about 120 hours of work in the theatre, they become eligible for membership in the International Thespian Society. In selecting the Thespians, Ms. Noble said that she considers the quality of work done and the candidate's attitude and enthusiasm.

While many teenage performers may have sat back and waited for casting directors to call, Drama Club members took initiative and ended up in the spotlight.

— Gina Fattore

**DRAMA CLUB —** Front Row J. Blake, L. Hoobler. Second Row: B. Schnaffner, B. Hunt, J. Dalfonso, J. Giran, D. Seward, K. Herrick, K. Gross, J. Seward. Third Row: M. Daniels, W. Peloso, E. Williams, B. Walters, P. Judson, B. Gill, V. Bell, P. McDonald, J. Fishcer, M. Risk. Fourth Row: M. Condon, A. Roberts, D. Eckert, A. Davis, A. Christiansen, M. Bird, K. Droege, L. Choate, A. Yackley. Back Row: D. Fitzer, T. Miller, P. Bird, P. Yelkovic.





JENNY GIRTON, BARB WALTERS, Elizabeth Williams and Deena Eckert join Andy Roberts in a rendition of "Stop In the Name of Love" at the Surf's Up Party.

SOUND & LIGHT CREW — *Front Row:* Scott Massom, Rob Ulman, *Back Row:* Dave Rice, Mr. Kenning, Jeff VanSyac, Jeff Veatch.



CONGRATULATING CONTESTANT JULIE Henderson, Drama Club Vice-President Andrew Roberts serves as emcee of "Name That Tune" both at the Winter Carnival.

THESPIAN TROUPE 253 — Jim Dalfonso, Pat McDonald, Andrew Roberts, Wendy Pelosa, Barb Walters, Pam Judson, Melissa Daniels, Deena Eckert.

CONCENTRATING INTENTLY ON the music, junior Brendan Grube performs on the drum set.

SAXOPHONE TRIO SCOTT Wagenblast, Mike Patrick and Pete Kickbush practice a sectional solo.



JAZZ ENSEMBLE WORKS on improving their stage performance at a Tuesday night rehearsal.

SENIOR DAVID McMICHAEL perfects a fuglehorn solo in preparation for the ISSMA jazz band contest.





# Devotion to music prompts sacrifice

For most teenagers, a love of music and a sacrifice for it mean surrendering \$8 for a new album, but for the students whose love of music inspired them to participate in Jazz Ensemble a greater sacrifice was required.

Whereas no rehearsal time is needed for the successful operation of a radio, to participants in this extra-curricular band, making music meant up to four hours of organized group practice every week.

Perfecting their musical talents with a stress on style, Jazz Ensemble met to play ballads and swing tunes, allowing the students to be exposed to music they don't get to play in concert band. This type of music is more marketable and is an asset to a musician who plans to play in college, according to Director Daniel Pritchett.

Students have more freedom to work with their own musical ideas, said Pritchett, and they also learn jazz improvisation.

Another band which met after school was Studio Band. Composed mainly of junior high school students, this band practiced less than Jazz Ensemble, but functioned in the same way.

Giving up a Saturday, both bands competed in the Indiana State School Music Association jazz contest and took superior ratings in different difficulty divisions.

Although students who loved music were called upon to sacrifice, they quickly forgot their losses when their music was heard and appreciated.

— Gina Fattore



**JAZZ ENSEMBLE MUSICIANS** — *Front Row:* M. Klinefelter, C. Miller, S. Wagenblast, C. Reichert, P. Kickbush. *Second Row:* D. Grube, A. Barber, T. Trast, R. Huber, J. Young, C. Anderson, J. Rader. *Third Row:* D. Spejewski, J. Wood,

N. Schmall, D. McMichael, J. Barber, P. Carrell, M. Kaster. *Back Row:* M. Janes, L. Lemon, S. Freese, M. Patrick, A. Frey, L. Huck, B. Thompson, S. Brown. *Not Pictured:* Director Daniel Pritchett.



# Beyond imports: a cultural exchange

American society has long been inundated with and influenced by the products of foreign cultures. Although Americans may drive BMW's, listen to Sony Walkmen and take pictures with Nikon cameras, they sometimes do not even think twice about the cultures which produce these necessities.

However, Foreign Exchange Club gave VHS students a chance to learn more about the cultures which have embellished the American way of life.

Through Youth for Understanding and Sports for Understanding, 13 club members spent the summer of 1985 overseas.

While first-hand experience was possible for some, the majority of the club had to get its knowledge of foreign countries from the students who

had previously gone overseas and the four exchange students who attended VHS for 1984-85. Also, International Weekend, the Foreign Feast and International Banquet gave members a chance to meet foreign students and to indulge in foreign foods.

Since FEC was the school's largest club, it sponsored many diverse activities such as a trip to a Chicago String game, Christmas shopping in Chicago, and a trip in the fall to Turkey Run State Park.

While these activities made FEC a popular club, its true purpose was never eclipsed, according to Sponsor Wes Maiers. FEC succeeded, he said, in making its members interested in more than just foreign merchandise.

— Gina Fattore



FEC BOARD AND EXCHANGE STUDENTS — *Front Row* Fred Barnesberger, Andy Berkoski, Ramon Negrete, Julie Henderson, Carolyn Evans, Debbie Spejewski, Akemi Ichihashi, *Sec and Row* Tim Sullivan, Kaz Chujo, Cindy Lott,

Stacy Conde, Anu Seisto, Sam Allen. *Third Row* Jason Freitag, Erich Walls, Traci Krynski, Laura Geiss, Myra Macopagal, Laurie Ailes, *Dock Row* Martha Maiers, Kristin Wheeler, Mary Iatridis, Jill Bodensteiner.



AT THE FOREIGN FEAST, exchange students Anu Seisto and Kaz Chujo try to win the lifesaver passing race.




FOREIGN EXCHANGE CLUB officers, Fred Bamesberger and Tim Sullivan enjoy ice cream sundaes at the March meeting.



WITH THE HELP OF Rachel Miller, Debbie Kobak displays a poster of a castle as she tells FEC members about her trip to France.





## VHS sports programs affected by laws

### Governing school

New laws governing the amount of time to be spent in school effected the sports programs at VHS by bringing minor changes to some sports.

One law which took effect this year concerned the early dismissal of athletes. According to Athletic Director C. J. Doane, athletes competing in any level of a state tournament, such as basketball regionals, can not leave school early to go practice at the tournament site. Becuase of this rule, tournaments previously held on two days, such as wrestling and track, may have to be cut to one day, which could possibly reduce the number of participants.

With the announcement of the new rules came the addition of two new sports. Girls' softball was continued after being added last year, and boys' soccer was added as a new spring sport.

According to Mr. Doane, new changes should not have a major impact on the sports programs at VHS. "Some schools might (have problems), but we won't," he said.

— Paul Jankowski

AWAITING THE KICKOFF, Viking fans brave the weather before the varsity football game against Highland.

Sports



**VARSITY FOOTBALL**  
Season Record: 7-3

	VHS	OPP
Munster	18	14
Portage	6	3
Hobart	8	27
M.C. Rogers	28	3
Chesterton	26	21
Merrillville	27	31
LaPorte	17	15
Gary West	7	12
Highland	30	7
Gary Roosevelt	69	26



TAKING A BREATHER during a defensive series are senior guard Jerry Flynn and junior tackle Russ Barone.

TRYING TO REGAIN his balance is All-Conference fullback Pete Brown. He rushed for 1,012 yards to become the fourth leading rusher in Valpo history.

ESCAPING THE GRASP of Highland defenders, senior Gary Spencer begins his cut up-field. The Vikings were victorious 30-7.





# Motivation keys season

Quality is defined as the degree or grade of excellence. In football, quality may be defined as the 1984 Viking football team.

Describing his team as hard-working, enthusiastic, and tenacious, Head Coach Mark Hoffman was pleased with the constant improvements of his team. "The improvement in our offense was on a day-to-day basis. It was just really exciting," he explained.

Execution of the new offense and the lack of injuries were considered to be the strong points of the season. "We had numerous minor injuries that could have been serious had it not been for our off-season weightlifting and flexibility programs," said Coach Hoffman.

Improving their season record to

7-3, the Vikes finished fourth in the conference with a 4-2 mark. In cluster competition, consisting of Hobart, Gary West, Merrillville, and Chesterton, the team finished 1-3 with a victory over Chesterton.

The leadership of the three senior captains, Pete Brown, Jerry Flynn, and Jeff Hreha, proved to be vital as only three ten-game starters returned to the Viking lineup.

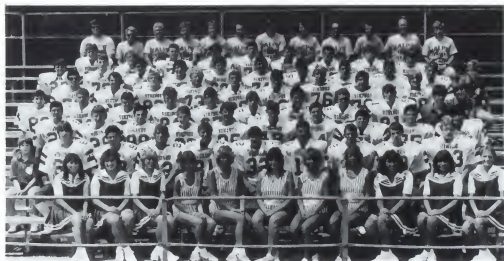
Pacing the offense were seniors Pete Brown, and Jody Sims and junior quarterback Steve Letnich. Brown finished his high school career with 1,012 rushing yards, ranking fourth on the all-time VHS list. Sims, the Vikings top receiver, had 37 receptions for 523 yards. Sims was named to the All State team. Replacing graduate Jeff Rybak,

Steve Letnich is currently fourth on the all-time passing list. Junior Mike Neis was the only offensive player to make the All-Conference team.

Sparking the defense were standouts Greg Bannec, Brian Corneil, Jerry Flynn, James Fritz, and Rino Macapagal. Corneil led in tackles from the linebacking position. Flynn, the only defensive player to make All-Conference, started at outside linebacker.

Matching the physical qualities with the mental and emotional desires, the quality of each individual was important to the total team effort. "They were highly self-motivated individuals" he said.

— Stephanie Wood



**VARSITY FOOTBALL** — *Front Row:* Kathy Briggs, Michele Cavanaugh, Jenny Broadhurst, Jeanine Burns, Kristin Cook, Kathy Scott, Danna Allen, Jill MacLennan, Cassie Tucker, Sandy Nelson, Regina Rumford. *Second Row:* Dave Brown, John Woodville, Randy Larson, Tim Collins, Tadd Susdorf, Gary Spencer, Kevin Sienkowski, Frank Wilson, Jeff Degenette, Brian Corneil. *Third Row:* Joe Pekarek, Tracy Huber, Craig Becker, Craig Hewlett, Carl Bauer, Pat Rooney, Steve Letnich, Jerry Flynn, Mike Hull, Rino Macapagal. *Fourth Row:* Mark Hardwick, Mike Neis, Tony Capraus, Tim Atha, Narby Jakel, Scott Corneil, B.J. Dick, Greg Walls, Chad Fortune, Dennis But-

*ler. Fifth Row:* Randy Feala, Greg Fisher, Jody Sims, Russ Barone, Rick Neal, Steve Brown, Bill Tauck, Dave Wickersham, Charlie Van Senu, Rob Mahoney. *Sixth Row:* Sam Bernardi, David Rice, Robert Farahmand, Jen Emshwiller, Frank Blasinaque, Greg Marquez, Bob Alexander, Jeff Higbie, Greg Bannec, James Fritz, Mike Connors. *Seventh Row:* Shawn Thomas, Tim Burbee, Mike Barone, Mark Marcinkowski, Ed Ferla, Pete Brown, Jeff Hreha, Joe Baldwin, Rick Spencer. *Back Row:* Head Coach Mark Hoffman, Dr. Robert Stalz, Pat Murphy, Randy Kearns, George Neitert, Rod Moore, Tam McNeil, Dave McGanigle, Terry Cox, Rick Gary Gray, John Cook.



**ELUDING THE DEFENSE**, right end Jody Sims grabs one of his 37 receptions of the year. Second on the all-time reception list, Sims was named to the All-State team.

# J.V. Vikings roll on

If a person is going to be a success in life, he or she must work very hard and also fight the many problems brought on by society. A person must also be able to bounce back from bad luck dealt upon him or her.

Just as a person trying to succeed in life, the 1984 Junior Varsity Football Team fought off injuries and "worked very hard" according to Offensive Coordinator Pat Murphy. The J.V. Vikes finished with a 7-2 record and a 5-1 mark in the Duneland Conference. Their only losses came at the hands of Merrillville and Crown Point by a combined total of four points.

The ironic thing about the year was that the outlook before the season wasn't the best, according to the coaches. Murphy said that the number of kids that usually

come out as sophomores was down by about eight players. "The kids weren't quite as talented as past years," stated Defensive Coordinator Zane Cole. The loss of sophomore tackle Mike Barone to the Varsity outlook.

Giving Coach Cole and Coach Murphy more headaches was the lack of depth due to injuries and less players which forced many to play both ways. "What the kids lacked in pure talent, they made up for in hard work and aggressive play," explained Coach Cole.

Offensively, the Vikings scored a total of 150 points which came out to an average of 17 points a game. Leading the way offensively were quarterback Larry Wright, receiver John Tapp, and running backs Jeff Leffew, Rob Shinall, and John Pishkur. Wright was named the most

valuable player on offense.

The defense, which in past years has been exceptional, made this year no exception. Coach Cole's stingy crew gave up an average of only 3.4 points a game and recorded six shutouts. Leading the defense were John Tapp, Rob Shinall, Joe Rafferty, and Jerry Blaney. John Pishkur, who led the team with 94 tackles, was named the most valuable defensive player.

Coach Murphy felt that the key to the season was the team's flexibility. "Being able to adapt to different situations and positions was the key" explained Murphy.

The 1984 Junior Varsity Football Team continued the proud tradition of J.V. football in Valparaiso. In the last ten years, the J.V.'s have a combined record of 66 wins to 22 losses.

— Jerry Flynn

**JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL** — *Front Row:* Cheerleaders Karen Carichoff, Tracey McAleer, Jennifer Cuppy, Managers Kathy Scott, Jeanine Bus, Jill MacLennan, Donna Allen, Kristin Cook, Cheerleaders Lori Sier, Bonnie Nuest, Katie Wittlinger. *Second Row:* Manager Rob Mahoney, Jason Willis, John Tapp, Dan Rice, Larry Wright, Mike Collins, Jay Rezabeck, Todd Garcia. *Third Row:* Manager Dave Brown, Dan Murphy, Dave Daelling, Eric Larue, Howard Yark, Mike Gilbertson, Scott Castle, Jim Carmichael, Manager Dennis Butler. *Fourth Row:* Ken Barfell, Jerry Blaney, Mickey Nalan, Rob Ward, Dave Defler, Chris Peddle, Jeff Ranco, Rob Stevenson. *Fifth Row:* Head Varsity Coach Mark Haffman, Rob Shinall, Charlie Rinker, Jeff Leffew, Dan Spencer, John Pishkur, Paul Saliday, John Walsh, Manager Mike Cannors. *Back Row:* Dr. Staltz, Assistant Coaches Pat Murphy, Randy Kerns, George Nietert, Trainer Rod Moore, Assistant Coaches Tam McNeil, Crack McGonigle, Terry Cox, Rick Mitchell, Gary Gray, John Cook.



DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR Zane Cole shouts encouragement from the sidelines.

## JV FOOTBALL SEASON RECORD: 7-2

	VHS	OPP
Lew Wallace	7	0
Portage	7	0
Habart	23	10
M.C. Rogers	23	0
Chesterton	27	0
Merrillville	7	10
LaPorte	28	0
Gary West	20	0
Crown Point	13	14



J.V. PUNTER Jay Rezabek prepares to blast one against Lew Wallace. The Vikes stung the Hornets 7-0.

RUNNING BACK Jeff Leffew (21) flies into Lew Wallace's secondary behind the blocking of Mike Gilbertson (55).

SOPHOMORE QUARTERBACK Larry Wright rolls out to the left against the Hobart Brickies. The Vikings won the game 23-10.

# Unity important asset

Training a team to work together as a unit can be a very challenging task filled with obstacles. At the beginning of a season a coach has to deal with many different personalities, temperaments, and skills.

In order for a season to be successful, differences must be set aside. Fortunately, Mr. Mark Knauff, in his first year as volleyball coach did not encounter these problems. "One of the most positive things I can say about the season is that the girls all got along well," said Coach Knauff.

The girls, however did face problems with consistency, lack of height, and failure to win the close matches. "Most of the matches

were closer than the scores indicated," stated Coach Knauff.

Although the team posted an 8-11 record, the girls had shown a vast improvement toward the end of the season. "Our play improved at the end of the season and we had become one of the better teams," said Coach Knauff. The team ended the season by placing third in the Duneland Conference and losing the first match in the sectional to Merrillville.

An award for top spiker went to Nancy Ducat, and the top setter award was shared by Missy Faber and Susan Frye. The top passer was Sheila Miller, top server was Lisa Meyers, and the All-Around honor

went to Norma Dielich.

According to Junior Varsity Coach Elke Bowman, the success of the junior varsity team was attributed to two superb setters and five consistent spikers. The team ended the season with a 15-3 record.

"Much of the success of the season can be attributed to the healthy attitudes of the girls. Each one was able to laugh at herself and her mistakes," she said.

Michelle Lambert was chosen the Most Improved, while the Mental Attitude Award went to Jin Jin Charon, and Jill Smith received the Outstanding Award.

— Gordana Sormaz



FOLLOWING THROUGH on a spike is junior Nancy Ducat. Preparing for the return are teammates Sharon Palm, Susan Frye, and Sandy Marshall.

JV VOLLEYBALL TEAM — Front Row, Linda Varela, Jin Jin Charon, Shelley McMurry, Second Row: Michelle Lambert, Jill Smith, Jill Kaetke, Jody Susdorf, Back Row, Manager Lynnea Cale, Katie Hafferth, Kaye Keller, Jessica Hafferth, Tammy Mahaney, Lisa Dimitri, Coach Elke Bowman.

VARSITY VOLLEYBALL		JV VOLLEYBALL	
Season Record: 8-11		Season Record: 14-3	
North Judson-San Pierre	W	North Judson-San Pierre	W
Highland	L	Highland	W
Westville	L	Westville	W
Munster/Gavit	L/W	Munster/Gavit	W/W
Crown Point	L	Crown Point	W
Kankakee Valley	W	Kankakee Valley	W
Portage	L	Portage	W
Hebron	W	Hebron	W
LaPorte	L	LaPorte	L
Morton/Lake Central	L/L	Morton/Lake Central	W/W
Hammond Noll	L	Hammond Noll	L
Chesterton	W	Chesterton	L
M.C. Rogers	L	M.C. Rogers	W
Merrillville	W	Merrillville	W
M.C. Marquette	W	M.C. Marquette	W
Hobart	W	Hobart	W
SECTIONALS			
Merrillville	L		







VARSITY VETERAN NORMA BIELICH prepares to spike the ball against her LaPorte opponent. LaPorte went on to defeat the Lady Vikes.

JUNIOR SANDY MARSHALL successfully spikes the ball over the head of her LaPorte opponent while team members Norma Bielich and Susan Frye await the bump.

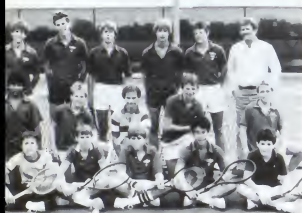


VARSITY GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL TEAM — Front Row: Sheila Miller, Susan Frye, Liz Hauser. Second Row: Sharan Palm, Lisa Meyers, Stephanie Wood, Sandy Marshall. Back Row: Manager Susie Heinz, Michelle Bishop, Nancy Ducat, Norma Bielich, Jenny Hordebeck, Missy Faber, Coach Mark Knauff.

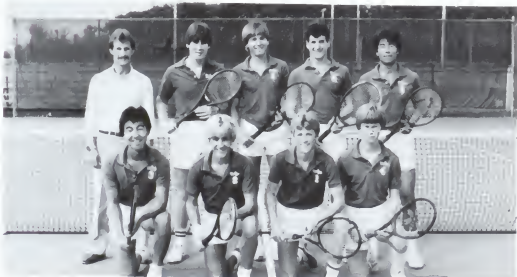


NUMBER-ONE VARSITY SINGLES player Jason Mesches returns a forehand to his LoPorte opponent.

JUNIOR MATT EVANS prepares to return a backhand to his opponent. Matt played number two singles this season.



**JV TENNIS TEAM** — *Front Row:* Manager Dave Castleman, Manager Paul Brown, Don Frye, Tim Tan, Marc Fischer. *Second Row:* Jay Pathejo, Drew Scholl, Tom Anderson, Mike Shraot, Todd Scholl. *Back Row:* Mark Kleehammer, Jeff Brown, John Seidler, Neil Heffernan, Coach Jerry Hager.



**VARSITY TENNIS TEAM** — *Front Row:* Pat Kim, Jason Mesches, Matt Evans, Daug Gerber. *Back Row:* Coach Tim Shideler,

Scott Wagonblast, Mark Nelson, Poul Gald, Titus Ton. The team compiled a 6-10 record.

# Pressure hinders team

Pressure surrounds everyone in their daily life. Whether it be at school, work, home, or in athletics, everyone has had to deal with it at some time in his/her life.

Unfortunately, pressure can hinder performances. For many members of the boys' tennis team that lesson was learned quickly. "The majority of the matches we lost went to three sets," said third-year varsity coach Tim Shideler. He explained that inexperience was the main factor and that the inexperienced players had a tendency to fold under pressure.

"Our record could have definitely improved if the team would have had experience to fall back on. A

lot of the matches were closer than the scores indicated," said senior Jason Mesches.

First-year varsity player Paul Gold said, "I think concentration was my main problem. That's one thing I will definitely need to work on next year."

Strength to the team was attributed to the steady playing of singles players Jason Mesches and Matt Evans, and doubles players Scott Wagonblast and Mark Nelson. Coach Shideler noted that their success was due to their previous varsity experience.

The team had a 6-10 record and lost in sectionals to Michigan City Elston.

The junior varsity team finished its season with a 10-5 record. "I was very pleased with his tennis season. These boys really worked hard and they were dedicated. Many of them would stay after practice and continue to hit balls," said Coach Jerry Hager.

He explained that the team worked well together despite the wide range of ages.

Coach Hager also noted, "Even the losses were exciting since they were all very close. I never had to get angry because of a lack of effort."

— Gordana Sormaz

## VARSITY TENNIS

Season Record: 6-10

	VHS
Merrillville	L
Hobart	L
S.D. Adams	L
LaPorte	L
Chesterton	W
Crown Point	L
M.C. Rogers	W
Culver	L
Portage	L
Lawell	W
Merrillville	W
Hobart	W
LaPorte	L
Chesterton	W
M.C. Rogers	L
Portage	L
SECTIONALS M.C. Elston	L

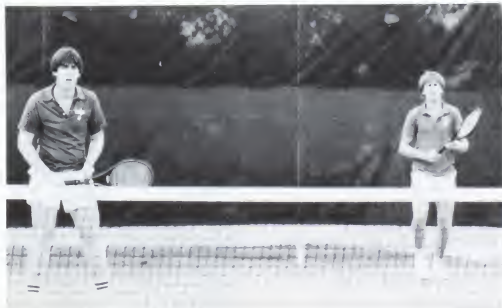
## J.V. TENNIS

Season Record: 10-5

	VHS
Merrillville	W
Hobart	W
LaPorte	L
Chesterton	W
Crown Point	L
M.C. Rogers	W
Culver	L
Portage	L
Lawell	W
Merrillville	W
Valpa Tournay	W
Hobart	W
LaPorte	L
Chesterton	W
M.C. Rogers	W



WITH EYES FIXED on the ball, First-year varsity player Paul Gold concentrates on a shot during a tough match.



DOUBLES PARTNERS Scott Wagonblast and Mark Nelson work together on their strategies.

# Team concept stressed

Cross country to most is considered to be an individual sport, but at VHS, the team concept is the most emphasized aspect.

"It's very much a team sport because it takes the top five (runners) to make a score. It's not only one girl that makes a team," said Girls Cross Country Coach Pat McKay.

Goals set for the season were to win the Duneland Conference, to take sectionals, and to qualify for the state meet. Only one girl, freshman Meghan Martin, qualified for state, but the team did accomplish its other two goals. A disappointing injury to freshman Coleen Jones caused the team to fall just short of state qualification.

Placing 24th at the state meet,

Meghan was a member of the All-State team. Jones was the only other Viking to be recognized, finishing in the top ten at the DAC meet. She was named to the All-Conference team. Rounding off the top seven were Ann Frey, Laura Hartwig, Ann Jacobsen, Susie Johnson, and Ruth Wheeler.

Taking an overall positive attitude into the season, the girls were pleased with their performance in the conference meets. "We knew we were running well. We knew we had a good chance at conference and sectionals. We had a really positive year," explained Coach McKay.

Aside from winning conference and sectionals, the lady Vikings finished with an overall

dual record of 9-3.

Having the largest team ever, the girls pulled together to fill the vacancies of graduates Joan Crowe, Diana Dusek, and Lisa Triscik.

Since seniors Ruth Wheeler and Nora Murphy are the only runners the team will lose, the future of girls cross country is looking bright, according to Coach McKay. The upcoming freshman class has potential. "We have some new freshman that look really strong," she said.

The concept of team contributed to the individual performances of many runners as they realized in the individual sport of cross country, the team is what wins the meets.

— Stephanie Wood



## GIRLS' CROSS COUNTRY Season Record: 9-3

M.C. Elston	L
Hammond Morton	W
Chesteron	W
Hammond Gavit/	
Hammond Nal	W/W
Merrillville	W
Munster/LaPorte	W/W
Highland Inv.	3rd
Portage/Highland	W/L
DAC Meet	1st
Crown Pt.	L
Sectional	1st
Regional	5th

FRESHMAN MEGHAN MARTIN tries to overcome her opponent at a home meet this season. Martin finished 24th in the state meet.

CONCENTRATING on the finish line, three-year letterwinner Susie Johnson strides toward home.





BATTLING TO THE FINISH, Ann Frey, Ruth Wheeler and Laura Hartwig push each other towards better times and higher placing.



**GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY TEAM** — *Front Row:* Missy Leetz, Mychel Macapagal, Caleen Jones, Ann Frey, Laura Hartwig. *Second Row:* Amy Baker, Penny Ryan, Heidi Klett, Mindy Heinhold, Meghan

Martin, Ann Jacobsen, Laura Shurr. *Back Row:* Tricia Schultz (manager), Katie Dauglass, Susie Johnson, Paula Daelling, Nara Murphy, Angela Bawden, Ruth Wheeler, Coach Pat McKay.



BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY  
Season Record 14-0

Gary Roosevelt  
Kouts  
M.C. Elston  
Chesterton  
Hammond Marian  
M.C. Rogers  
Crown Pt.  
Hammond Govit  
New Prairie Inv.  
Mentillyville-LaPorte  
Lew Wallace-M.C. Marquette  
Highland Inv.  
Hobart Inv.  
DAC Meet  
Sectional  
Regional  
Semi-State  
State

VHS  
W  
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W  
W  
2nd  
3rd  
2nd  
2nd  
5th



ALL-CONFERENCE SENIOR Erik Chilian lunges toward the finish line.

LECTURING TO HIS team before the meet against Chesterton is Coach Sam Rasmussen. The first year cross country coach has also been the boys' track coach for 12 years.

BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY TEAM — *Front Row:* Mike Bucher, Matt Harrington, John Martz, Brian Klemz, Todd Wagenblast, Matt Utterback, Jim Fiegle, Roy Trisik, Rusty Johnston, Mark Leetz. *Second Row:* Carl Frey, Chris Cole, Jay Telschaw, Steve Deiser, Laren Huck, Dian Jones, Brett Pallzatta, Justin Gericke, Jim Arnold. *Back Row:* Steve Meyer, Jeff Potis, Mark Jones, Erik Chilian, Dave Ziegert, Harvey Peddle, Paul Geiss, Rick Fiegle, John Drake, Coach Sam Rasmussen. Season Honors Included Most Improved Runner: Todd Wagenblast, Outstanding Runner: Brett Pallzatta, Best Team Runner: Paul Geiss, Most Valuable Runner: Erik Chilian. The team finished with a record of 14-0 in dual meets.





# Vikings try to repeat

A great coach is always remembered because his teams win a lot of games. But more often than not, you'll find that a winning coach cares more about the welfare of his players rather than whether his team comes out on top on the scoreboard. This kind of coach believes in building character and teaching valuable lessons that will help an athlete further down the road in life.

Valparaiso High School Cross Country Coach Sam Rasmussen used this philosophy and proved it again by having another banner campaign. Rasmussen, who has been the track coach for 12 years, replaced Skip Collins as the cross country this year. Rasmussen will also retain his responsibilities as the

track coach.

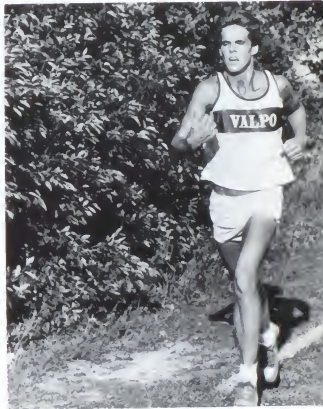
Rasmussen took over in an especially tough situation. He came into the season with three of the top seven runners returning from last year's state championship team and winning was expected. Rasmussen stated that he didn't feel any extra pressure and he tried to make the team feel the same way.

The Vikings finished the year with a 14-0 record, but finished second to Portage in the D.A.C. meet which earned them a second place finish in the conference. Despite losing to the Indians at conference, the Vikes did beat the eventual state champs at the prestigious New Prairie Invitational. Rasmussen described this as "the best race we ran all year."

Leading the team was senior Erik Chilian and sophomore Brett Polizotto. Chilian finished first at the New Prairie Invitational and was named to the All-Duneland Conference team. Polizotto finished 17th at the state meet to help the team to fifth place finish. He also received All-State honors for his performance.

"We were very successful," remarked Rasmussen on his team's undefeated season and fifth place finish at state. "But the most important thing is we grew as individuals. We experienced the joy of victory and the agony of defeat, and that's what life is all about," emphasized Rasmussen.

— Jerry Flynn



DESPITE BEING A first year runner, senior Harvey Peddle was one of Valpo's top seven.

SENIOR PAUL GEISS gives a tremendous effort to help Valpo defeat Chesterton.

BEGINNING THE backswing of a long drive is state finalist Maureen Murphy. Murphy finished fourth at the state meet.



GIRLS' GOLF TEAM — *Front Row* Katie Klepser, Lindy Darris, Krista Allen, Paige McNulty, *Back Row* Susie Clifford, Maureen

Murphy, Stefanie Calby, Terri Piet, Coach Nancy Bender. The girls finished with a 7-3 record and tied for third at regionals.



# GIRLS' GOLF Season Record: 7-3

LaPorte Inv.  
Marquette/Elston  
Hobart  
Partage  
LaPorte  
Chesterton  
Merrillville  
M.C. Rogers  
Sectionals  
Regionals

2nd  
W/W  
W  
W  
L  
W  
W  
L  
1st  
3rd



EYEING THE BALL, three-year letter winner Lindy Darris awaits the end result of her putt.



SENIOR KRISTA ALLEN and Coach Nancy Bender show a look of concern as Krista completes her swing.

# Vikes defeat pressure

Attempting the last-second free throw or kicking a field goal to put the game into overtime are individual pressures that some athletes face. These situations correspond with the everyday pressures of golf.

After teeing off, golfers face the pressure of individual one-on-one competition for 18 holes. "Golf is about the only sport where the coach cannot have conferences with their team," said Girls' Golf Coach Nancy Bender.

The top golfers, Krista Allen, Stefanie Colby, Lindy Darris, and Maureen Murphy overcame these pressures and led the Vikes to 7-3 record.

These four golfers were consistent, but the team lacked in depth. Murphy was the only Viking to qualify for state; however, Coach Bender said any one of her players could have gone to state.

Being the individual sport that golf is, team adhesiveness is often hard to obtain. This year's team was truly a cohesive unit. "We were a team. They set individual goals to obtain team goals," said Coach Bender.

For the 1984 season, the team accomplished two of three team goals — a winning record and a sectional championship. Qualifying for the state meet was the only goal that eluded the Vikes as they finished in a tie for third at regionals.

The girls finished third in the conference standings behind Michigan City Rogers and LaPorte, two teams recognized for their traditionally strong golf teams.

Losing Tina Kozlowski to graduation affected the team's confidence, according to Coach Bender. The team had the attitude that they

would do poorly due to the loss of their top golfer; however, the girls overcame this barrier and proved to themselves their individual talents.

Suffering a condensed season following the state's change in the dates of the tournament, the team had little time to make improvements. "We used the band-aid approach. You just patch things up to get them through the season," explained Coach Bender.

Facing Michigan City Rogers and LaPorte early was rough due to the lack of experience.

Through many changes, including the loss of Kozlowski and the condensed season, the girls pulled together, overcame individual pressures, and accomplished what they had set out to do — to prove themselves as a consistent and competitive golf team.

— Stephanie Wood



CONCENTRATING ON A PUTT, junior Stefanie Colby watches the course of her ball. She won medalist honors twice this year.

# Lady Vikes fight back

No matter the sport, when a champion loses his title, he will fight very hard to regain it. The Valparaiso High School Girls' Swim Team fought hard, but fell short to Chesterton's Golden Gators.

Jim Sharp, who is in his second year as the Valpo coach, previously coached at Chesterton where he built an area powerhouse. They overtook the Valparaiso teams which were generally the best in the conference and one of the best in the area.

Despite not catching the Golden Gators he used to coach, Sharp has made great strides in catching Chesterton. "Next year we should overtake them and put girls' swimming

at Valparaiso back on top where it belongs," stated Coach Sharp.

The team finished with a 12-1 dual record, with the only loss coming to Chesterton. The Lady Vikes also finished second to the Golden Gators in the Duneland Conference and at sectionals.

Leading the team were seniors Leigh Chester, Marie Czekaj, Jenny Murphy, and Toy Ann Runk. "They've really done a great job for us," said Coach Sharp.

Despite great leadership from the seniors, the team consisted of talented underclassmen. Top juniors were Michelle Douglas and Julie Hansen. Sophomore Pam Timmons had a good year and according to

Sharp contributed a great deal to the team.

Setting school records were Chester in the 200 individual medley and 100 breaststroke while Timmons shattered the 100 backstroke record which had stood since 1977. The Lady Vikes also broke four pool records at the dual meet in Rensselaer.

Two girls on the team were recognized for their efforts by receiving awards which were voted on by the team. Leigh Chester was named M.V.P. and earned the annual High Point Award. Marie Czekaj got the Mental Attitude Award for the second consecutive year.

— Jerry Flynn

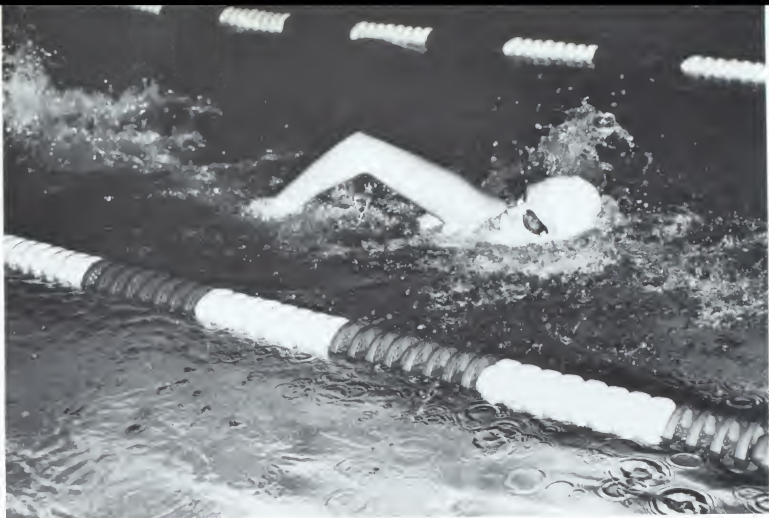


ASSISTANT COACH Coral Sharp gives Pam Timmons some pointers. Coach Sharp is the wife of Head Coach Jim Sharp.

ATTEMPTING A forward pike drive in a meet against Chesterton is junior Veronica Vas.







GIRLS' SWIMMING  
SEASON RECORD: 12:1

S.B. Adams  
M.C. Rogers  
Hobart  
S.B. Clay  
Merrillville  
Crown Pt.  
Chesteron  
Portage  
Munster  
LaPorte  
M.C. Elston  
Highland  
Rensselaer  
DAC Meet  
Sectionals

VHS  
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2nd  
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SENIOR TRI-CAPTAIN Lynette Kennedy attempts to execute on inward dive.

AT A MEET in which the Lady Vikes easily knocked off the Portage Indians for a D.A.C. win, sophomore Kris White comes up for some air.

GIRLS' SWIM TEAM — *Front Row:* Jenny Dixon, Tracy Clendenin, Cheryl Atkinson, Jody Ilgenfritz, Kim Ambelang, Jonie Pyle, Kory Bernardi, Julie Smith. *Second Row:* Aime White, Catherine Periolot, Angie Fronglis, Pam Timmons, Toy Ann Runk, Jenny Murphy, Julie Hanson, Gail Czyzyk, Jill Morimon, Leigh Chester. *Third Row:* Coach Coral Sharp, Jill Bennett, Kris White, Jamie Jacobs, Michelle Douglas, Troci Krynski, Ann Moertz, Anne Steidler, Manager Missy Finloy, Marie Czekaj, Lora Legerstrom, Manager Cathy Leininger. *Back Row:* Coach Jim Sharp, Manager Vicki Chester, Beth Flynn, Sara Johnson, Lynette Kennedy, Lindsey Powell, Amber Nuest, Kathleen Brady, Veronica Vas, Manager Lori Burk.





**BOYS' SWIM TEAM** — *Front Row:* Kaz Chujo, Jeff Hood, Todd Agnew, David Doering. *Second Row:* Greg Hood, Jason Timmons, Jeff Adney, Steve Johnson, Willie Harbison, Bart Benedict, Matt Krsynski, David Doyle, Mike Nuss, Coach Bird. *Third Row:* Mr. Jim Sharp, Craig Becker, Jeff Fischer, Drew Schenk, Brian Benedict, Marty Coin, Don Berkaski, Pat Madden, David Woodrich, Chip Merrill, Mr. Choppo. *Back Row:* Dave Altenhoff, Rick Hall, Joe Johnston, Mike Crowder, Mark Ambling, Greg Morton, Greg Kendrick, Dave Kolor, Steve Adney, Doug Klemz.



**MORALE LEADER** Dave Kolor offers valuable advice to fellow swim team members Drew Schenk, Greg Morton, and Brian Benedict.

**CONCENTRATING ON PERFECT** form, Don Berkaski executes an in-water pike dive during an important meet.



# Boys have great season

When it rains, it pours, or so goes the saying . . . For the boys' swim team, this was the case, but in an opposite sense.

Victories and records came down in a rapid succession. "The season just got better and better as we went along," said junior Bart Benedict.

According to Coach Charles "Skip" Bird, it was an outstanding season. The boys finished their season with a 11-1 record. They won the conference and placed first in

sectionals. Twenty-three individuals qualified for state, the most in Valparaiso Swim Team history. The boys had a third-place finish at state.

"I believe we had a good season because we tried to motivate ourselves early in the season. We were all willing to work hard to make it a success," added junior Greg Morton.

Many individuals qualified for various honors. Drew Schenk, Brian Benedict, Rick Hall, Jason Timmons,

and Greg Hood made All-American Cuts. Greg Hood was chosen Most Valuable Swimmer at Conference. Jason Timmons was chosen Most Valuable Swimmer and Drew Schenk received the High-Point Award.

The divers coached by Mr. Chappo, continued to improve their performances as the season progressed. They were instrumental to victories in close meets.

— Gordana Sormaz

## BOYS' SWIMMING SEASON RECORD 11-1

Munster  
Merrillville  
Chesterton  
S.B. Adams  
LaPorte  
Highland  
M.C. Rogers  
Hobart  
Portage  
Lake Central  
DAC Meert  
Crown Point  
Hammond Hall  
Sectional  
State

VHS  
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1st  
3rd



JUNIOR GREG MORTON swims to beat the clock during an important conference meet.



KEEPING A CAREFUL eye on the clock, Coach Bird checks the times of the swimmers. Bird coached the team to a 11-1 season.

STROKING TO A victory, senior Steve Adney swims the butterfly. Steve was a four year member of the swim team.



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**VARSITY PLAYERS** Karla Doelling, Kristin Cook, and Ute Bawman use teamwork as an effective means of defense.

**GIRLS' VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM** — *Front Row:* Nara Murphy, Megan Baetel, Natalie Cavanaugh, Kristin Cook, Karla Doelling, Julie Fritz. *Back Row:* Stephanie Wood, Susie Jahnsen, Ute Bawman, Rachelle Meyers, Katy Garrett, Lisa Reggie, Manager Chris Woods.



# Underdogs beat odds

After being written off by Hoosier Basketball Magazine as a "bunch of No-Names" because they had no returning starters, it seemed as if the Girls' Basketball Team had its work cut out for them.

But, miracles have a way of happening for underdog teams. The girls posted an 18-3 record and won the Duneland Conference. Coach Dale Ciciora credited the overall quickness of the team, shooting ability, and free throws as the main strengths that lead to a successful season.

"We shot 44 percent from the field and we were one of the top ten in the state with free throws,"

said Coach Ciciora.

Karla Doelling ended her high school career by finishing second in all-time leading career assists. Katy Garrett led the Vikes in rebounds, she had 137 in 21 games. Ute Bowman was leading scorer, averaging 15.8 points per game.

Senior Karla Doelling said, "I feel it was a successful season in the sense that we accomplished many of the goals we set except for sectionals."

The Vikings lost in the finals of sectionals by a last minute shot. The basket ended the hopes of attaining a regional win.

The junior varsity team, coached

by Dave Kenning, finished with a 17-1 record. Mr. Kenning noted that the team improved as the season progressed.

Suzi Boyer lead the team in assists, she had 30 in 18 games. Lisa Dimitri contributed with 94 rebounds. Katie Hofferth was leading scorer.

According to Coach Kenning, the major strengths of the team were pressing and aggressive defense. Coach Kenning said the strong friendships among team members led to a successful season.

— Gordana Sormaz



**GIRLS' VARSITY BASKETBALL**  
Season Record: 18-3

South Newton  
Lake Central  
Lafayette Jeff  
M.C. Rogers  
LaPorte  
Crown Point  
Edison  
Hammond Martin  
Warsaw Towner  
Andean  
Highland  
Columet  
Chesterton  
Portage  
Merrillville  
Hobart  
Hammond Gavitt  
Sectionals

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**GIRLS' J.V. BASKETBALL**  
Season Record: 17-1

South Newton  
Lake Central  
Lafayette Jeff  
M.C. Rogers  
LaPorte  
Crown Point  
Edison  
Hammond Martin  
Andean  
Highland  
Columet  
Chesterton  
Portage  
Merrillville  
LaPorte Towner  
Hobart  
Hammond Gavitt

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SENIOR GUARD Karla Doelling looks past her opponent and attempts to pass to a teammate.

**GIRLS' J.V. BASKETBALL TEAM** — *Front Row* Lynnea Cole, Amy Mueller, Jody Susdorf, Suzi Boyer, Jill Smith, Jill Badensteiner, Manager Michelle Risk. *Back Row:* Laura Shurr, Kaye Keller, Katie Hofferth, Julie Bowen, Lisa Dimitri, Tammy Mahoney, Carolyn Miller.

# Preparing for future

Minor league teams play a vital role in the development of the major leagues. Valparaiso High School's junior varsity and sophomore basketball teams play a parallel role in the growth of Valpo's overall program.

"The purpose of the JV is to prepare people to play varsity," said JV Coach Bob Punter.

Aside from this ultimate goal of preparation, the Vikes set out to capture the JV DAC title and to win the JV tourney. Accomplishing both in the course of the season, the Vikings finished at 18-2, losing only to Gary Roosevelt and M.C. Rogers.

Success of the team, not totally dependent on talent, was contributed to the team's attitude toward one another. "Our overall team attitude was excellent," said Mr. Punter.

Platooning was considered to be

the major reason of such team unity. "Each player played at least 200 minutes, which provided a good feeling," explained Mr. Punter.

Evidence of the well-balanced Viking attack, the team had four different players lead in the statistic categories.

High scorer was sophomore Paul Drake with 139 points. Leading rebounder, Dean Moore, grabbed 86 rebounds, averaging 4.3 a game.

Junior J.T. Wells led the team in both shooting categories, shooting 63 percent from the field and 73 percent at the free throw line.

Defensively, the Vikings were led by John Tapp and point guard Todd Wagenblast led the team in assists.

Finishing with their second best record ever, the sophomore team rallied a 10-3 record.

Leading the team with 126 points was Jim Carmicheal while Bill Ferngren led the team with 37 assists. Mike Troman grabbed 44 rebounds to lead the team.

The key factor in their successful season was defense. "Defense was by far our strength," said Sophomore Coach Lew Rhinehart.

To provide an opportunity for players to develop, the sophomore team consists of players having the potential to help the program. "The purpose is to keep players that we think have an opportunity to develop into good basketball players," explained Coach Rhinehart.

Major league teams only as good as their minor league counterparts, explains the continued success of Valparaiso basketball.

— Stephanie Wood







**BOYS' SOPHOMORE BASKETBALL TEAM —**  
*Front Row:* Clayton Pullins, Tim Miller, Bill Ferngren, Jim Carmicheal, Bob Shinall. *Back Row:* Pete Rans, Craig Meyers, Mark Jones, Dan Spencer, Mike Troman, Jeff Sensenbaugh. Coach Lew Rhinehart.



**FIGHTING OFF HIS DEFENDER,** sophomore Mark Jones comes down with the rebound. The Vikes beat South Central 61-21.

**DRIVING TOWARD THE BASKET,** Viking guard Greg Chester uses his quickness to elude the defense.

**BOYS' JV BASKETBALL**  
 Season record 18-2

	VHS	OPP
Hammond Govit	39	9
Gary Roosevelt	31	43
Penn	39	28
Chesteron	41	19
Highland	47	28
Merriville	33	32
Plymouth	50	27
Hobart	52	30
M.C. Rogers	58	48
Chesteron	34	25
Kankakee Valley	33	31
LaPorte	50	48
M.C. Rogers	49	59
Lafayette Jeff	51	46
Portage	37	26
Hobart	37	26
Munster	45	31
Crown Point	39	34
Logansport	48	35
North Judson	39	24

**BOYS' SOPHOMORE BASKETBALL**  
 Season Record: 10-3

	VHS	OPP
Kouts	50	37
Portage	34	40
Oregon-Davis	39	24
South Central	61	21
Portage	28	27
M.C. Rogers	32	37
M.C. Rogers	44	43
Boone Grove	40	29
Hobart	35	26
Portage	24	25
Washington Twp.	43	26
Crown Point	36	32
Morgan Twp.	44	26



**BOYS' JV BASKETBALL TEAM —** *Front Row:* Todd Wagenblast, Bill Ferngren, Joe Rafferty. *Back Row:* Ron Graham (manager), Greg Chester, John Tapp, Brian Eaton, Dan Rice, J.T. Wells, Coach Bob Punter. The Vikings finished the year at 18-2.

# Shooting keys Vikes

When General Motors or Chrysler produces a car, it's put together through an assembly line. If the car is going to be well-built, many stations during the assembly line must be completed correctly.

Just as Detroit rolls cars off the assembly line day in and day out, Valparaiso High School continually produces quality basketball teams every year.

The reason for this, according to tenth year Coach Skip Collins, is "superior coaches at the lower levels and players who are willing to sweat year round." Just like an assembly line, different phases make the operation go smoothly.

The Vikings finished the season with a 19-5 record, plus sectional

and conference championships. The team's season ended in a controversial loss in the first round of the regionals to M.C. Rogers 70-67. The Vikes were victims of numerous questionable fouls. At the end of the regular season, the team was ranked 14th in both the AP and UPI polls.

Leading the Vikes was three-year letter-winner Scott Anselm. His list of credentials is long and numerous. He was voted team MVP for the second straight year in which he averaged 18 points a game.

Senior Erik Chilian and junior Mike Jones also had "good" years for the Vikes. Chilian led the team in defense, free throws, assists and was team captain. Jones clipped an

average of 18.7 points per game and was an All-Duneland Conference selection.

Just like an Assembly line, there were many reasons for the team's success. "Shooting carried us," stated Coach Collins. The team shot over 55 percent from the field as a team. What the modest coach failed to say is he had something to do with the team's good fortune. His record at Valpo of 162-64 speaks for itself.

Valparaiso basketball has a proud tradition and is respected throughout the state. As long as there are people willing to sacrifice, Valpo will continue to dominate the area in basketball.

— Jerry Flynn

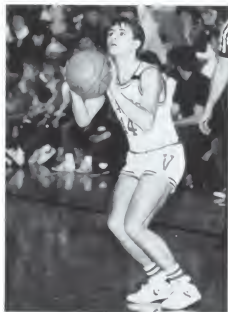


SENIOR ERIK CHILIAN splits two Rogers opponents in the Vikings 57-40 win. Chilian led the team in free throw percentage, assists, defensive points, and fewest turnovers per minute.

WATCHING ATTENTIVELY from the bench are Head Coach Skip Collins, Chad Fortune, Erik Chilian, Matt Workman, and Shawn Thomas. The Vikings finished the year with a record of 19-5.

## BOYS' VARSITY BASKETBALL Season Record: 19-5

	VHS	OPP
Hammond Gavitt	53	55
Gary Roosevelt	48	58
Penn	63	43
Chesterton	42	44
Highland	60	42
Merrillville	53	39
Plymouth	73	49
Holiday Tourney		
M.C. Rogers	73	77
LaPorte	72	67
Chesterton	56	44
Konk. Valley	54	53
LaPorte	84	54
M.C. Rogers	57	40
Lafayette	59	53
Portage	47	39
Hobart	52	32
Munster	59	47
Crown Pt.	70	58
Logansport	67	45
North Judson	88	78
Sectional		
Washington Twp.	65	53
Hobart	43	36
Chesterton	61	31
REGIONAL		
M.C. Rogers	64	70



WITH SPECTACULAR dribbling and good shooting, sophomore Rod Harden thrilled fans.





FLYING THROUGH the air with another one of his patented layups is senior Scott Anslem. The three year starter was All-State Honorable Mention.



MIKE JONES, who's destined to become a member of the long line of great Valpo players, shoots over a Merrillville opponent. The junior averaged 18 pts. per game.

**BOYS' VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM** — *Front Row:* Manager Randy Larson, Matt Workman, Scott Anslem, Paul Drake, Rob Pikula, Manager Tim Prahlow, *Second Row:* Coach Skip Collins, Manager Dan Frye, Mike Cax, Harvey Peddle, Ken Collins, Rodney Harden, Manager Ran Graham, *Back Row:* Jim Dimitri, Erik Chilian, Scott McCarthy, Dean Moore, Chad Fartune, Mike Janes, Shawn Thomas, Manager Steve Albers.

## Early and late Striving for better

**I**t's a matter of dedication. What else would drive a person to run, swim, or catch at 6 a.m. or 8 p.m.? Yet, often for more than one reason, the athletes kept doing it: practice, practice, practice.

Better technique and form were emphasized in every sport. Often a practice was devoted to concentrating on one certain skill, such as a particular throw, stride, or stroke. Improvement was the key. "The main goal is to improve. Winning is nice, but improving's really important," explained basketball player and cross country/track runner Todd Wagenblast.

Mental preparation and motivation were important as well. Many teams designated considerable practice time to "mental sessions", in which they would relax and focus on attitude and mental aspects of the sport. Quotes for the day also helped athletes direct their thoughts and effort. Students also psyched themselves up individually. Volleyball player Norma Bielich noted that she would think "keep trying" or "keep going" to motivate herself during practice.

Sometimes 24 hours a day wasn't enough time to do everything. Sessions held at odd hours because the facilities had to be shared often disrupted schedules or shortened time for other activities, such as homework, family meals, jobs, and sleep, particularly if a student was involved in more than one sport during the year. Consequently, athletes had to learn to budget their time. Many of them felt this was beneficial, especially concerning study time.

Despite off times, athletes felt that practice, although sometimes tedious and

grueling, was worth it. Swimmer Joe Johnson said that the extra hours really paid off, especially since the team had its best season ever. Football tri-captain Jerry Flynn also felt practice was beneficial. "Anytime you practice is good. Even if you have to practice at 2 a.m., it's good. It's a matter of priorities," he added.

Besides physical and statistical improvement, athletes also gained personal satisfaction from sports practice. A sense of accomplishment, a tangible goal, pride, confidence, and most of all, meeting people were a few of the fringe benefits athletes experienced. Explained softball player Stephanie Wood, "Practicing so much, you really get to know the people you work with. Besides learning a sport, you learn the most important aspect of life — communicating with people."

— Pam Judson

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The main goal is to improve.”

— Junior  
Todd  
Wagenblast



KEEPING HIS EYE on the mark, Junior Mark Stephens starts his pole vault run during an afternoon track practice.





RACING AGAINST THE CLOCK, sophomore David Dole concentrates on his butterfly stroke before school.



EYING A FAST ONE, junior Laura Shurr practices her swing and prepares to slug the ball at softball practice.

PERFECTING RELAYS, juniors Angelo Bowden and Koy Woodrow and freshman Heidi Klett took off.





DEEPLY INVOLVED IN thought, senior Vickie Rowe keeps her position on the beam with grace and skill.

WITH HELP FROM Kristi Vendl, Jackie Taylor completes a difficult flip over the vault.



# Girls overcome losses

Veterans to any team are a valuable asset. They lend experience, leadership, and a certain maturity that sets examples for the younger members who will follow in their footsteps.

Unfortunately for the Girls' Gymnastics team, veterans were a scarcity. The team lost four seniors, two who were state competitors and members of an all-conference team. According to Coach Lorie Cook, "On the optional level we were a young and inexperienced team."

Despite the disadvantages, the

team ended the season with a 6-2 record. The girls also finished third in the Duneland Conference and placed second behind Chesterton in sectionals.

Coach Cook also added that three girls qualified for state. They were Jennifer Stout, Kristi Vendl, and Sara Johnson.

Coach Cook attributed consistency on the optional bar routine and the balance beam as a team event as strengths of the team. She added that the girls had the highest team total on the beam in conference and sectionals.

Weaknesses of the team were the floor and vault events according to Coach Cook. "These events require a lot of strength and experience," she said.

Although the team consisted of eight freshman and seven upper classmen, the girls were ranked as high as 15th in the state. They finished the season ranked 16th. Their only losses were to Chesterton and third ranked Merrillville.

— Gordana Sormaz



## GIRLS' GYMNASTICS

Int. Record: 6-2

Opt. Record: 6-2

Munster  
M.C. Rogers  
LaPorte  
Hobart  
Chesterton  
Highland  
Portage  
Merrillville  
DAC meet  
Sectional

VHS  
W  
W  
W  
W  
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W  
W  
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3rd  
2nd



**SENIOR LISA STANCZAK** successfully maintains her balance on the beam. Lisa was a returning member of the team.



**KEEPING A FIRM** grip on the uneven parallel bars. Dawn DeMan concentrates on her routine.

**GIRLS' GYMNASTICS TEAM** — *Front Row* Sheila Miller, Kristi Vendl, Lisa Stanczak, Jennifer Stout, Diane Smith. *Second Row* Missy Massa, Jackie Taylor, Sara Johnson, Kathleen Brady, Jennifer Howard. *Back Row* Assistant Becky Jurgeons, Kim Allen, Vickie Rowe, Tracy Zalidas, Dawn DeMan, Lisa McClean, Coach Lorie Cook.



#### VARSITY WRESTLING

Season Record: 16-2

	VHS	OPP
Konkakee Valley	70	6
North Newton	52	18
Crown Point	60	12
Andrean	62	9
Lawell	48	15
Hammond	59	6
Goshen	29	28
Munster	39	20
Penn	35	20
Highland	58	8
Hammond Nall	66	12
Chesterton	40	27
Gary Roosevelt	68	3
Portage	35	20
LaPorte	25	22
Hobart	18	42
M.C. Rogers	46	18
Merrillville	14	42

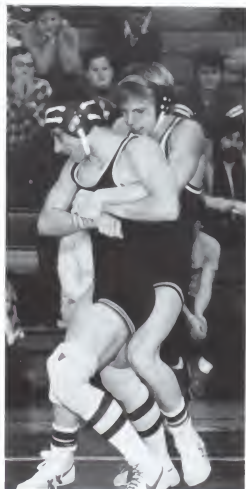
#### JUNIOR VARSITY WRESTLING

Season Record: 13-5

	VHS	OPP
LaPorte	50	15
Andrean	76	0
Chesterton	62	3
Gary Roosevelt	42	24
Portage	24	30
Merrillville	18	38
Highland	41	13
Lawell	44	19
Portage	25	34
Crown Point	48	20
LaPorte	40	20
Andrean	61	9
S.B. Riley	51	12
Mishawaka	36	21
LaPorte	42	16
M.C. Rogers	48	21
Merrillville	27	30
Hobart	38	26

EXPRESSING HIS EXTREME desire to win, senior Carl Moertz dominates Bob Sikarski of M.C. Rogers. Moertz went on to win the match with a pin at 2:25. (V.M. Photo)

SENIOR TODD LEFFEW struggles to control his Chesterton opponent in a tough conference match. Leffew was the only Vikings to place at state, finishing fourth.



# Another great year

Athletics are very unusual in the sense that one year a team might be very good and be on top of the world, and the next year be a sub-par team that's just plainly bad. Many factors go into this sort of downfall such as injuries, loss of players, and coaching changes, but truly great teams find a way to be competitive and near the top every year which gives them the right to be called dynasties.

Coach John Cook's 1984-85 Valparaiso High School varsity wrestling team made some positive strides towards becoming one of Northwest Indiana's wrestling dynasties. The team finished with a 16-2 dual meet record and recorded its second straight sectional win.

"This year's team even exceeded last years which was the best in Valparaiso High School history," ex-

claimed Coach Cook. The team was ranked seventh in the final state wrestling poll.

Leading the Vikings were seniors Carl Maertz and Todd Leffew. Maertz ended the season with a 35-1 record and sectional, regional, and semi-state crowns to go along with it. "He's the best wrestler Valpo has ever seen," stated Cook about Maertz who had an illustrious career record of 88-12-1. Leffew finished with a 33-8 record and a stunning fourth at the state meet. Ironically, Leffew failed to capture an individual crown but placed well enough to advance to state where he finished fourth in the 132 lb. weight class.

Juniors Tim Burbee and Dave Wickersham also had fabulous seasons finishing with records of 30-6 and 32-8 respectively. Burbee cap-

tured the individual sectional crown and Wickersham advanced all the way to the state before being knocked out of competition.

This year's team, despite being statistically the best in Valparaiso's twenty-eight year wrestling program, wasn't the most talented group according to Coach Cook. "They worked extremely hard as a team," stated Cook.

Whether the Vikings can continue their dynasty into the 1985-86 campaign remains to be seen, but Coach Cook is optimistic. "We have some tough spots to fill," exclaimed Cook, "but I think we'll be all right."

The J.V. team coached by Mike Tipton finished the year with a 13-5 record.

— Jerry Flynn



**VARSITY WRESTLING TEAM** — *Front Row* D.J. Seramur, Marshall Mundt, Steve Beiser, Marc Laterza, Marc Hamacher, Todd Leffew, Tim Burbee. *Second Row* Tracy Huber, Matt Balla, Carl Maertz, Shawn Fayard, Pete Brown, Tony Capraus, Dave Wickersham, Coach John Cook. *Back Row*: Doug Hernandez, Manager Leanne Thomas, Manager Jennifer Pedavali, John Walsh, Rod Staniford, Tam Bartelma, Manager Ann Maertz.



**J.V. WRESTLING** — *Front Row*: Dan Carrall, Bill Young, Tam Bartelma, John Walsh, Mike Spagna, Tray Pikula, Andy Jahann, Tray Zulich, Dave Deffler, Joe Pekarek. *Second Row*: Chris Cale, Scott Armstrong, Rusty Johnson, John Herro, Dave Doelling, Mark Marcinkowski, Dave Mill, Dave Rice, Jerry Blaney, Dave Lackran. *Third Row*: Coach Randy Kerns, Alan Federman, Dian Jones, Mark Hardwick, Jeff Leffew, Jason Mack, Dave Baker, Coach Mike Tipton. *Back Row*: Managers Ann Maertz, Jennifer Pedavali, Leanne Thomas.

# Lady Vikes improve

When a young child starts learning to read in elementary school, he or she must start at the very beginning learning the letters in the alphabet. The young student must work hard at this process that will take many years to perfect.

Just like a child learning to read, a coach building a new program must start from the bottom and work his way up. He has to realize that it could be many years before he'll see the fruits of his labors.

Last year, when Todd Bennethum was named the first coach of the Girls' Softball team, he was thrown into the position of building a new program. But luckily for

Coach Bennethum, after only two seasons he has seen some of his hard work pay off. "A lot of kids have been willing to sacrifice. We've made a lot of progress the last couple of seasons," said Coach Bennethum.

Improvement was evident through each week of the season, according to Bennethum. "We've improved the most in the pitching department," added the coach. The two main pitchers for the Lady Vikes were juniors Diana Maniak and Nancy Ducat.

"Defense has definitely been one of our strong points," explained Coach Bennethum. Leading the

team were seniors Kim DeMick and Terry Harrah, junior Stephanie Wood, and sophomore Jody Susdorf. Bennethum described Wood as a "very capable" catcher and said that many opposing coaches complimented her on her catching abilities.

The team's newly found success this year was more miraculous considering the injuries which plagued key players early. Tracy Hughes injured her arm and couldn't play all season. Also on the injury list was Nora Murphy who was hampered with a severe case of shinsplints.

*Jerry Flynn*



SHORTSTOP KIM DEMICK exhibits perfect fundamentals as she fields a ground ball against Merrillville. The senior was a tri-captain.

JUNIOR STEPHANIE WOOD fights off an inside pitch and drives it into center field. The catcher hit .412 on the year.







**CHARGING THE ONCOMING** groundball is senior tri-captain Rita Burns.

#### GIRLS' SOFTBALL Season Record: 9-13

	VHS	OPP
M.C. Marquette	15	2
Crown Point	0	9
Chesterton	7	2
M.C. Rogers	11	16
Andean	9	18
Hobart	7	5
Merrillville	3	16
Penn	8/12	3/7
LaPorte	6	9
Portage	6	4
Lake Central	0	6
Chesterton	6	7
M.C. Rogers	7	5
Hobart	7	5
Merrillville	4	7
VIKING INV.		
M.C. Marquette	14	10
Munster	3	0
LaPorte	3	4
Portage	2	9
Munster	2	15
SECTIONALS		
Portage	3	9



**SECOND-YEAR COACH** Todd Ben-nethum discusses ground rules with the Merrillville coach.

**DISCUSSING PRE-GAME** strategy are infielders Stephanie Wood, Julie Fritz, Terry Harrah, Rita Burns, and Diana Maniak.

**GIRLS' SOFTBALL TEAM** — *Front Row:* Lynneo Cole, Kris Scott, Jody Susdorf, Julie Fritz, Diana Maniak, Rita Burns. *Second Row:* Mgr. Chris Woods, Jenny Murphy, Terry Harrah, Shellie Marrs, Laura Shurt, Kim DeMick, Nancy Duc-at. *Back Row:* Coach Todd Ben-nethum, Mary Bielich, Norma Bielich, Nora Murphy, Stephanie Wood, Sandie Bush, Coach Nancy Brown.



**BOY'S JV BASEBALL TEAM** — *Front Row:* Mitch Marcus, Bob Parter, Dan Eichmeyer, Dan Alexa, Mike Cook. *Second Row:* Chris Page, Paul Stratton, Paul Gald, Jeff Osterhaut, Larry Wright, Jahn Pishkur. *Back Row:* Coach Jahn Neal, Jack Hines, Jim Fisk, Dan Murphy, Craig Meyers, Tom Zimmerman, Coach Zane Cole.



**FOLLOWING THROUGH** on a throw to first base is Tim Collins. The junior played short-stop for the varsity this year.

**BOYS' VARSITY BASEBALL TEAM** — *Front Row:* Ken Collins, Craig Becker, Greg Walls, Jeff Williamson, Joe Baldwin, Tim Collins. *Second Row:* Scott McCarthy, Jerry Flynn, Dennis Kissinger, Jim Miller, Jim Tudor, Rich Neal. *Back Row:* Coach Pat Murphy, Brian Eaton, Ran Villeneuve, Keith Chrise, Pat Pastar, Coach Biff Gelsis.

VARSITY BASEBALL			
Season Record: 16-16-1			
	VHS	OPP	
Whiting	8	2	
South Central	1/12	0/2	
Crown Point	2	0	
Chesterton	0	8	
M.C. Marquette	14/9	1/2	
M.C. Rogers	4	6	
Hobart	11	10	
Merrillville	3	9	
Gary Roosevelt	6	9	
LoPorte	1	11	
Portage	10	5	
E.C. Roosevelt	12/15	8/6	
Chesterton	2	3	
M.C. Rogers	1	6	
Lake Station	2	2	
Hobart	7	12	
Merrillville	4	0	
Horace Mann	16/15	6/3	
LoPorte	0	3	
North Judson	7	8	
Portage	5	10	
Lowell	4	8	
Kank. Volley	5	7	
Clark	3	9	
Highland	0	5	
Morgan	3	1	
Wheeler	6	1	
N. Judson	9	5	
LoPorte	1	6	

#### JV BASEBALL

Season Record: 8-12

	VHS	OPP
Lowell	13	0
Chesterton	3	15
M.C. Rogers	4	8
Hobart	7	9
Merrillville	1	7
Washington Twp.	21/20	0/2
LoPorte	4	3
Portage	1	2
Chesterton	3	4
M.C. Rogers	8	7
Munster	8/20	10/19
Hobart	2	4
Merrillville	7	6
East Chicago	9	10
LoPorte	1	11
Crown Point	2/12	0/17
Portage	4	8



# Team displays maturity

As an atom is built around its nucleus, the Valparaiso High School Varsity Baseball Team is built around its pitching staff.

Members of this strong inner core were Keith Chrise, Ken Collins, Dennis Kissinger, and Scott McCarthy.

Coach Pat Murphy attributed the team's success to his talented pitching staff. "Our strong point was that we had decent pitching. Our weak point was untimely hitting," he explained.

Facing frustration at the plate, hitters had trouble with runners in scoring position while scattering hits with the bases empty.

Attempting to replace the vacancy of graduate Tony Micciche at short-stop was a major concern of Coach Murphy. Junior Tim Collins came off the bench and improved steadily throughout the

season and is expected to contribute more in the future.

Possessing team depth off the instilled a certain amount of confidence in the coaches and also sparked a new hope for next year's season.

"Jeff Williamson, Greg Walls, and Brian Eaton helped us this season and will help in the summer and the following season as well," explained Coach Murphy.

Senior first baseman Jerry Flynn and junior centerfielder Joe Baldwin lead the team through example and attitude.

Taking a losing streak into the sectional, the Vikings bounced back to capture the title from defending champions North Judson.

"The last week in May we were the Rodney Dangerfield's of Porter County baseball, but we bounced back like champions and

won the sectional," explained Coach Murphy.

Losing to LaPorte in the regional 6-1, the Vikes finished the year at 16-16-1.

Most valuable player was senior firstbaseman Jerry Flynn. Senior Ron Villeneuve received the most valuable defensive player award while junior Joe Baldwin was named the outstanding offensive player.

Finishing with an 8-12 record, the JV had an up and down season. Catcher John Pishkur led the offensive attack with a .392 batting average, receiving the most valuable offensive player award.

Sophomore Paul Gold was named the most valuable defensive player of the year.

— Stephanie Wood



ROUNDING SECOND ON his way to third is sophomore Paul Stratton. The Vikes lost to Hobart 9-7.

ATTEMPTING TO PICK up a ground ball at third base is senior Craig Becker. This was Craig's first year on the Valpo varsity team.



GOALIE TIM SULLIVAN catches the ball during a practice attempt. The Vikes went on to defeat Griffith.



RAMON NEGRETTE DISCUSSES a call with an official during an afternoon match at the Ben Franklin field.

**BOY'S SOCCER TEAM** — *Front Row:* Tim Sullivan. *Second row:* Dirk Chilian, Justin Gericke, Matt Harrington, Jason Freitag, Andy Berkowski. *Back Row:* Steve Massa, Joe Johnston, Sam Allen, Mark Ambelang, Kareem El-Naggar, Jeff Sensenbaugh, Steve Beiser, Dale Pullins, Ramon Negrette, Coach Italo Ivaldi.





# Soccer gains success

Having the stigma of being a first-year team puts considerable pressure on members who suddenly become models for the future players who will follow. They know their successes and failures will reflect on the future of their sport. Despite the disadvantages, the Boys Soccer Team persevered and went on to complete a respectable finish.

Coach Italo Ivaldi said the major obstacle of the team was inexperience. "We were facing teams that had players who have been playing together for six or seven years," he added.

"We had our ups and downs, but the hardest part was just getting used to playing other teams," said Goalie Tim Sullivan.

Coach Ivaldi also added that soccer is a different game on the high school level than it is when players are younger. "It is more of a physical and aggressive game," he said.

Although, soccer is still considered a European sport, Coach Ivaldi believed that with programs like the NorthWest Indiana Soccer Club and the Boys' Club, it will continue to gain popularity in Valparaiso.

Senior Sam Allen predicted that the success and program of the soccer team would continue to grow in Valparaiso. "I believe there will be a bright future for the soccer team due to the gaining interest, more kids are staying with it.

The soccer team finished its first season with a 3-7 record. Coach Ivaldi predicted that next year's team would improve its record because the team would have more experience.

— Gordand Sormaz



BOYS' SOCCER  
Season Record: 3-7

Wollice  
Wirt  
Highland  
Griffith  
Merrillville  
Portage  
Lake Central  
Andreon  
Chesterton  
Munster

VHS  
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ATTEMPTING TO KEEP opponent from scoring a goal during a tough match against Andreon is senior Andy Berkowski.

SENIOR KAREEM EL-NAGGAR drives the ball in hopes of attaining a goal against the Andreon Soccer Team.

MATT HARRINGTON STRUGGLES to keep possession of the ball over his Griffith opponent. The Vikes defeated Griffith in this match.





MEMBERS OF THE Girls' Track Team huddle together to get fired up for a conference meet against Merrillville.

GOING AIRBORNE over the high jump is sophomore Lori Sier, who, according to the coach, improved throughout the year and will continue to help the team in the future.



**GIRLS TRACK** — *Front Row:* Julie Carrell, Amy Perry, Johanna Law, Wendy Berner, Kathy Brobeck, Linda Stark, Trish Landstrom, Akemi Ichihashi, Michelle Risk, Mgr. Beth Masters. *Second Row:* Erin Forker, Kelly Seroczynski, Wendy Garrett, Meghan Martin, Kristin Hartwig, Jennifer Stout, Kelly McDermit, Jennifer Howser, Mindy Heinrich, Ann Frey, Ellen McQuillen. *Third Row:* Heidi Klutts, Colleen Jones, Kathleen Brady, Dana Erdeleek, Michelle White, Kerry Buck, Heidi Kellog, Heidi Clett, Marcia Evans, Teresa Timmons, Miss Derwiller. *Fourth Row:* Angela Bowden, Kim Looft, Sarah Fischer, Jennifer Wright, Penny Ryan, Lisa Dimitri, Kay Woodruff, Laura Hartwig, Jennifer Henderson, Coach Pat McKay. *Fifth Row:* Suzanne Folke, Amy Erspamer, Lori Sier, Danielle LaRue, Susan Eileff, Katie Douglass, Missy Faber, Debbie Prahlow, Stephanie Snyder, Coach Frey. *Back Row:* Missi Crownover, Shelley Bishop, Tracy Zalaz, Sara Johnson, Katy Garrett, Rochelle Meyers, Paula Doelling, Michelle Krall, Coach Grieger.



# Young Vikings prevail

Any good cook will tell you, it's the specific ingredients which make the final product so good. If there's too much of one thing or not enough of another in a recipe then everything is done properly, then the food can taste marvelous.

Just like a steak cooked to perfection, the 1985 girls' track team ran to a perfect 8-0 record and a sectional championship. Included in this was winning the Duneland Conference and pulling out a first at the D.A.C. meet.

"We knew we were going to have a good year, but we didn't know how good," stated Head Coach Pat McKay. According to McKay the team exceeded her ex-

pectations while rolling over opponents.

Coach McKay felt that depth in all areas was the key to the team's success. The Lady Vikings were strong in both field and running events. McKay also added that hard work was also a factor in the team's winning ways.

Leading the team was the lone senior and captain Katy Garrett. She especially excelled in the high jump where she set a school record with a jump of 5 feet, 7 inches. She was a regional qualifier in the 400 run and a state qualifier in the high jump and the 1600m relay team which also set a school record with a run of 4:06.

Garrett also helped the team immeasurably with leadership. "Katy was a hard worker who set high goals for herself," stated Coach McKay. "We'll definitely miss her next year."

Also leading the team was junior Missy Faber in the 200M run and sophomore Susan Folke. Freshmen Kelly Seroczynski led the team in the 400M run.

Also helping the team out was the participation of freshmen for the first time. "The veterans gave us quality and the freshmen were like icing on the cake," said the coach.

— Jerry Flynn

## GIRLS' TRACK Season Record: 8-0

Rogers  
Portage  
Chesterton  
LaPorte  
Merrillville  
Highland  
Hobart  
Crown Pt.  
Conf. Meet  
Sectionals

VHS  
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1st



RECORDING TIMES AND keeping score is part of the coaching responsibilities for Coaches Nancy Greiger, Debbie Fray, and Pat McKay.



AFTER BREAKING THE school record in the 1600 meter relay, freshman Kelly Seroczynski and senior Katy Garrett consult timekeeper Elke Bowman on their winning time.

GETTING READY to jump over a hurdle is Susan Folke, who qualified for sectionals this year as a sophomore.

# Four qualify for state

As a dome covers a football stadium or a blanket of snow covers the ground, the VHS Boys' Track Team covered all track and field events with their own blanket.

"It was a team that covered all of the events. Not only did they cover them, they covered them with good performances," commented Coach Rasmussen. "We really didn't have a weak spot in relation to our conference and northwest Indiana. We have to be considered a state caliber team."

For the second consecutive season, the team went undefeated in dual meets and captured the Duneland Conference title.

All-conference honors went to the 400 relay team of B.J. Dick, Greg Geiselman, Pat Rooney, and Nathan Schmoll with a new school

record. Geiselman was also all-conference in the 100 and 200 dashes, while Mike Daggett captured the 800 run and Chilian in the 1600.

Other outstanding performances this season were turned in by seniors Paul Geiss in the 800, mile, and two mile, Randy Fecla in the shot put and discus, and Rino Macapagal in the 100, 200, and the 400 relay.

"I think the team is determined by the seniors," said Coach Rasmussen.

Aside from the undefeated season, the tracksters also broke three other records. Greg Bannec, Daggett, Geiselman, and Macapagal set a new mile relay record. Frank Wilson shattered Joel Smith's pole vault record of 14'6", with a vault of 15 feet.

In the 300 low hurdles, Pat Rooney set a new school record of 38.60 seconds.

Finishing fourth in the Gary Regionals, the team qualified four individuals for state competition: Jody Sims in the discus, Frank Wilson in the pole vault, Erik Chilian in the 1600 meter run and Brett Polizotto in the 3200 run.

In comparison to last year, the team had one less qualify for state. Coach Rasmussen was a little disappointed in the 1600 meter relay team. "I thought our 1600 meter relay team would get out of regionals," he commented.

Valpo lost key athletes to graduation but have promising underclassmen to fill the vacancies.

— Stephanie Wood



## BOYS' TRACK Season Record: 7-0 Indoor Season

Trailblazer Relays  
Thunderbird Invitational  
Lake Central Triangular  
Lake Central Relays  
Griffith Quadangular

VHS  
7th  
2nd  
1st  
1st  
1st

## Outdoor Season

M.C. Rogers  
Partridge  
Chesterton  
LaPorte  
Merrillville  
Brave Relays  
Griffith  
Hobart  
Valpo Relays  
DAC Meet  
Sectionals  
Regional  
State

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1st  
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4th  
30th

WARMING UP FOR the long jump is junior Frank Wilson. Wilson and B.J. Dick teamed up for a Valpo Relays record, 42'11 3/4", 42 feet, 113/4 inches.

HEADING FOR THE 300 hurdles finish line is Pete Brown. The senior finished second behind Valpo's Pat Rooney.





**BOYS' VARSITY TRACK** — *Front Row:* Todd Wagenblast, Pete Brown, Steve Remijon, Mike Neis, Frank Wilson, Mike Dagget, Jim Arnold, Todd Hancock, Brian Benke, Dion Jones, Nathan Schmoll. *Second Row:* Erik Chilion, Steve Meyer, Paul Geiss, David Ziegert, Brian Cornell, Greg Geiselmon, Mike Leetz, Jeff Hreh, Greg Bonnet, Rino Macapagal, Brett Polizotto, Loren Huck. *Back Row:* Horvey Peddle, Jeff Higbie, Randy Feolo, Steve Brown, Dan Spencer, Jody Sims, John Drake, Kevin Moran, Brian Klemz, B.J. Dick, Bob Morrison, Pat Rooney, John Moritz.



**ROUNDING THE CURVE** in the 400 relay is sophomore Jeff Letfew. He split running time between the varsity and JV.

**SENIOR PAUL GEISS** and juniors David Ziegert and Todd Wagenblast push each other toward the finish in the mile run.





SENIOR KRISTEN RESCHKE follows through on a backhand during a match this season. Reschke played number one singles on varsity.

RETURNING AN OPPONENT'S shot with a backhand stroke is sophomore JV singles player Karen Murka.



# GIRLS' VARSITY TENNIS Season Record: 11-5

Lowell  
Griffith  
Crown Point  
Lake Central  
Columet  
Chesteron  
Highland  
M.C. Rogers  
Culver Academy  
Portage  
Knox  
LaPorte  
Hobart  
Munster  
Merrillville  
Sectionals

VHS

W Lowell  
W Wheeler  
W Crown Point  
W Lake Central  
W Columet  
W Chesteron  
W Highland  
W M.C. Rogers  
L Culver Academy  
W Portage  
L Hobart  
W Munster  
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# GIRLS' JV TENNIS Season Record: 10-2

VHS

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# Depth aids team

Playing on Bobby Knight's Famous quote, "Mental is to physical as four is to one," Varsity Tennis Coach Tim Shideler considers tennis to be 80 percent mental.

"Eighty percent of tennis is definitely mental," said Shideler. "The players should out-think their opponents. They should be able to tell me the strong and weak points of their opponents right after their warm-up," he added.

Valpo's strong point was the depth in the third singles and the second doubles, while their weak point was their lack of experience. "We had a very young team this year," said Shideler.

Key Players were Kristen Reschke and Katie Wittlinger who led the team in consistency.

Due to the short season, there was little time to change tech-

niques of individual players; therefore, the team stressed strategy and ball control. "Ball control is what we work on mainly. The season is so short that changing techniques of individuals would be difficult," explained Coach Shideler.

Although the games were mostly individual, the team concept was also stressed. "If one match is lost, someone else can pick up the points — in that sense, everyone is playing as a team. Even though the individual loses, the team can still win the match," said Coach Shideler.

The Vikes finished the year at 11-5 losing to conference foes Merrillville, LaPorte and Portage and to Munster. Portage also defeated the girls in sectionals.

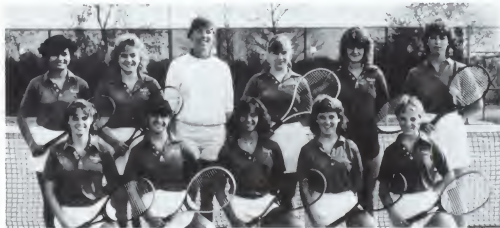
Honors went to Kristen Reschke,

Most Valuable Player; Katie Wittlinger, Best Record; Amy Gold, Most Improved; and Kelly Zimmerman, Sportsmanship.

Tennis contributed to the all-sports trophy with a 3-3 record in the conference, placing fourth. Losing only to the Wheeler Varsity and Munster, the JV posted an 11-2 record. Karen Murka received the sportsmanship award while Elizabeth Versteeg was most improved.

Coach Shideler is optimistic about next year when the team roster will include more veteran players. "We will have much more experience next year," he said, "We're only losing one senior."

— Stephanie Wood



**GIRLS' JV TENNIS TEAM** — *Front Row:* Julia Betjeman, Mary Iatridis, Jeni Bonjean, Julie Bodensteiner, Heather Mallet. *Back Row:* Myra Macapagal, Michele Grownover, Coach Diane Lebyrk, Elizabeth Versteeg, Kim Wright, Karen Murka.



**GIRLS' VARSITY TENNIS TEAM** — *Front Row:* Katie Wittlinger, Melissa Eddy, Amy Gold, Natalie Cavanaugh. *Back Row:* Kristen Reschke, Kelly Zimmerman, Maureen Murphy, Laura Geiss, Coach Tim Shideler.



WITH PERFECT FORM junior Rich Krotzenberg executes his swing during a conference match with Chesterton.

MERLE DONICA CAREFULLY estimates the length of his putt to insure a victory over Michigan City Elston.



# Ability found in team

Students are often warned by teachers that statistics on a graph may not necessarily reflect the actual situation. This was true in the case of the Boys' Golf Team whose season record was not an accurate indicator of their ability.

According to Coach Bob Cain, several factors were attributed to the losses. "The switch to triangular meets put more pressure on the boys," said Coach Cain. He also added that the competition in the conference was equalizing and that the losses could have gone either

way.

"When we lost, it was never because of poor play," added Coach Cain.

Coach Cain anticipated the team's peak to be at sectionals. Returning lettermen that added depth to the team were Andy Gold, Merle Donica, and Rich Kratzenberg.

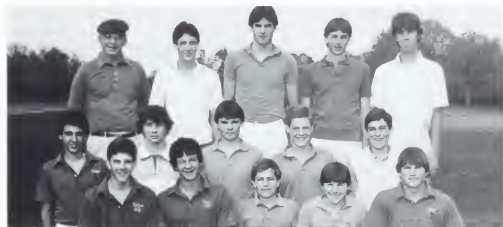
Coach Cain also added that next year looked promising with several new players. Bob Risk, Paul Ventura, and Dan Frye, he anticipated would add depth next year.

Coach Cain added that a new

change will occur next year. "The number of teams we will be playing next year will expand, this will add some pressure," he said.

The Viking Golfers placed third in sectionals which qualified them for regionals. At sectionals, Andy Gold was chosen as a Honors Medalist. "It was quite an honor for him and the team as well," said Coach Cain. Gold was also named MVP.

— Gordana Sormaz



**BOYS' GOLF**  
Season Record: 14-5

M.C. Elston  
Chesterton/LaPorte  
M.C. Rogers/Chesterton  
M.C. Rogers/Merrillville  
Hobart/LaPorte  
Hobart/Portage  
Rensselaer  
Portage/Merrillville  
Boone Grove  
M.C. Marquette

VHS  
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W/W  
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COACH BOB CAIN waits anxiously for the outcome of a meet against Michigan City Elston.



**BOYS' GOLF TEAM** — Front Row: Bob Risk, Andy Gold, Dan Frye, Paul Ventura, Gary Spencer. Second Row: Paul Kamanaroff, Eric Lawrence, Jeff Whaling, Rich Kratzenberg, Alex Brickley. Back Row: Coach Bob Cain, Merle Donica, Dean Moore, Lance Lemon, Daenen Badie.

ALEX BRICKLEY CONCENTRATES intently before putting. Brickley was a first-year member of the team.

# Spirited spark crowd

Although the cheerleaders and Vikesettes could not contribute aid to the offense on the football field, or baskets at the free throw line, they did, however, assist in raising interest in the areas of support and spirit.

According to Mrs. Joan Mahoney, cheerleading sponsor, the cheerleaders spent two hours every Wednesday night practicing along with their Monday planning meetings.

Each girl was required to attend the Indiana Cheer Camp at DePauw University in Green Castle, Indiana. There the girls worked on cheers and techniques.

"Traditionally, the girls have always been elected for boys' basketball and football. The girls have tried attending more of the less recognized sports. But with eleven girls it is difficult to be everywhere," said Mrs. Mahoney.

The Vikesettes put in many hours of practice and creativity into the routines performed at half-time. The Vikesettes practiced two days a week for two hours. This was in addition to the class period where they practiced every day.

After having attended camp at Weslyn University in Bloomington, Illinois, the Vikesettes learned five

routines. Deena Eckert was awarded "Most Outstanding Pom" and the Vikesettes as a group were selected "Most Spirited Group," which, according to Sponsor Jan Sutton, was the highest award given.

During the football season, Mrs. Sutton choreographed the routines, but during the basketball season the Vikesettes were given more freedom in choreographing their performances.

The Vikesettes had their annual banquet in the spring to honor squad members.

— Gordana Sormaz



**JV CHEERLEADERS** — Front Row Tracy McAleer, Second Row Jennifer Cuppy, Lori Sier, Bonnie Nuest, Third Row: Karen Carichoff.

**VARSITY CHEERLEADERS** — Front Row: Kathy Briggs, Regina Rumford, Jenny Broadhurst, Second Row: Pete Brown, Sandy Nelson, Michelle Crownover, Mike Nels, Third Row: Pat Rooney, Cassie Tucker, Joe Pekarek, Back Row Frank Wilson.

**VIKETTES** CAROLYN Camford and Shari Welch perform in a half-time show which featured music from the decades.





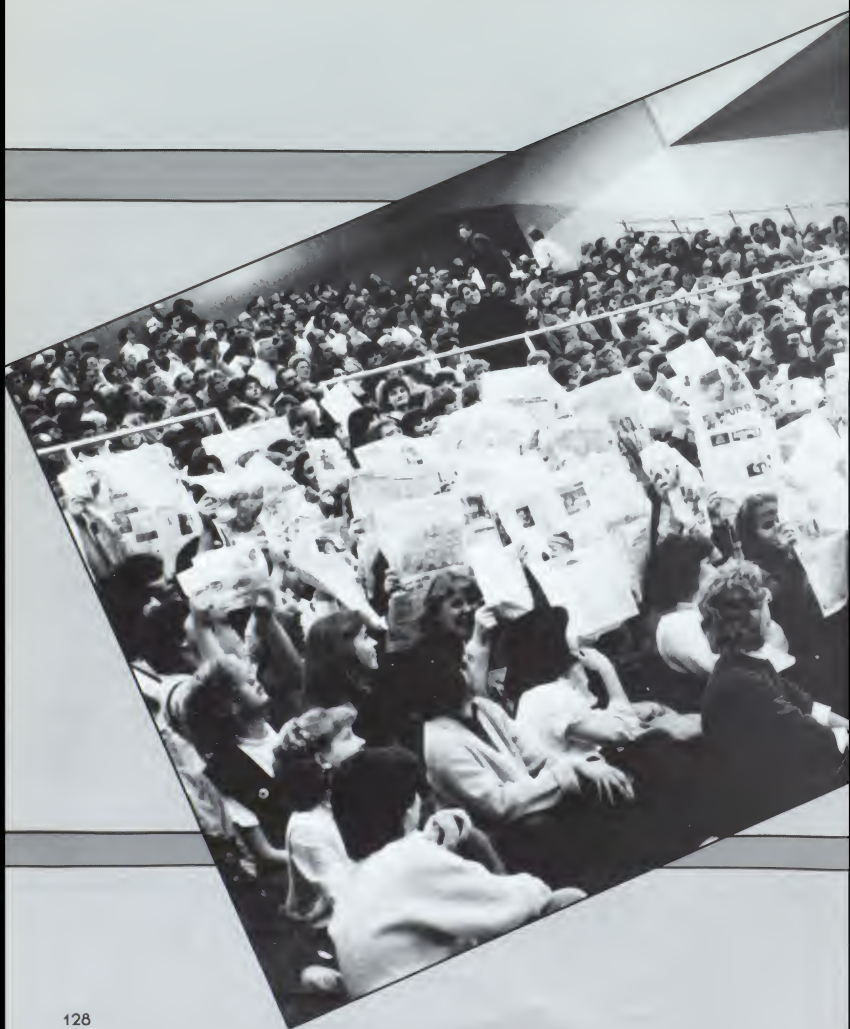



WHILE PROMOTING school spirit, the varsity cheerleaders lead the crowd during half-time.



**VIKETTES** — *Front Row:* Deena Eckert, Kris Slater, Chris Razus, Felicia Grabawski, Wendy Casban, Nacha Minchuck, Rae Gri-vetti, Shari Welch, Tricia Meyers. *Second Row:* Lari Nelson, Jennifer Stooksberry, Kim Foreman, Lisa Haabler, Ann Steider, Robin Grienke, Cindy Chavez, Tammy Houston. *Third Row:* Leah Camplin, Jennifer Blake, Kathy Henriques, Susan Byars, Caralyn Canford, Britt Sharp, Michaelle Grabawski. *Fourth Row:* Glenda Bradley, Michelle Kln-efelter, Beth Masters, Maria Miller, Laura Chaate, Tricia Smith, Jennifer Wajlk. *Back Row:* Tanya McLinn, Cary Paff, Heidi Zierz, Tammy Whalls, Joann Pier, Ivy Shields, Kim Pence, Kelly McKhuen, Tippy Carnell.







## Groups, cliques separate the various Students at VHS

Everyone goes through changes in their lives that may not seem too important at the time that they occur. But as time passes by and we look back at the little things that changed our lives, we begin to realize just how much of an effect they had on our lives.

Not only do various changes have an effect on our lives in the long run, but so do the people that we are constantly in contact with. They can influence our beliefs, our attitudes, and our overall outlook upon life. At Valparaiso High School, there were many different types of people who could influence our lives.

There was a wide variety of people in the school, such as the "jocks," the "punks," and the "nerds," among others. And since we were all grouped together, each group of people had an influence on another group.

Just because different groups of people inhabited the school didn't mean that there was always trouble. Everyone had to get along with the next guy because *This Is It*.

— Paul Jankowski

SHOWING RENEWED SPIRIT. Viking fans showed their support as the opposing team's roster is read.

Album

# 406 STUDENTS MOVE ONWARD

As the year goes on, thoughts stream through seniors' minds that the end is near.

For many, graduation is the end of the securities of home life and a step out into the "cold, cruel world." But for others it's the beginning of a whole new challenging life.

The step out into society as individuals creates mixed emotions. Many are scared and frightened, but most can hardly wait to be on their own. On June 5, 1985, 406 students were faced with this giant step outward.

Senior class officers, main task of the school year was to prepare for graduation. Decisions on

the style and layout of the diplomas are made and the officers also decided the structure of the Baccalaureate and who would speak.

Pertaining to graduation, senior Mike Patrick stated, "I'm looking for-

ward to the freedom, but I'm worried about which direction I will take. I hate to see high school end because you're basically free of responsibility, but that all changes when we graduate."

Senior Marcy Costas ad-

ded, "I look forward to new faces and surroundings in the future. I'm a little nervous but, I know things will go well."

Although June 5, 1985 was the end of high school for seniors and the "easy" life, it also marked the beginning for many of a time where they could begin to fulfill their childhood dreams.

— Karla Doelling

**SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS** — Rino, Macapagal, *treas.*, Brian Cornell, *sec.*, Greg Bannec, *v. pres.*, Erik Chilian, *pres.*



## MARTIN ADEL

STEPHEN ADNEY — swimming 2,4 (captain); band 2.

LISA DIANNE AHLBRAND — intramurals 3, 4; Valenian 4; Viking Press 3, 4; Quill and Scroll 4; pep club 2,4; P.V.E. teaching 4.

MELISSA JANE AHLGRIM — For. exch. 2,4; (exch. student to Spain 4.)

NICOLE LYNN AILES

CATHY ALEXA — intramurals 4; Drama club 2; band 2, 3; For. Exch. 2,4; Dom. Exch. 3; Nat. Merit Semifinals 4; N.H.S. 3, 4; V.A.L.P.O. 3,4.

ROBERT ALEXANDER — football 2,4; weight club 2, 3.

DONNA MARIE ALLEN — student trainer (football) 4; cheerleader 2, 3; intramurals 4; For. Exch. 2,4; pep club 2,4.

KRISTA LEE ALLEN — golf 2,4; F.C.A. 2,4; intramurals 2, 3; N.H.S. 3, 4.

SAM ALLEN — track 2; cross country 2, 3; intramurals 3; For. Exch. 3,4 (pres. 4) N.H.S. 3, 4; soccer 4.

DARYL ALTERNOF — Jr. Achievement 2.

JASON ALVAREZ — intramurals 3, 4; For. Exch. 4.

MICHAEL SCOTT ANSELM — basketball 2,4; intramurals 4; King of Hearts Court 4; Boys' State 3.

ANDRIA ANTONMARRIA — swimming 2, 3; intramurals 2,4; For. Exch. 3, 4; quiz bowl 4 (treas.); pep club 2,4; Latin Club 2 (pres).

T. MICHELLE BAKER — swimming 2; FEC 2, 3.





MATTHEW BALLA — wrestling 2-4; far. exch. 3.  
CHRISTINE BALTAS  
FRED DAMESBERGER — far. exch. 2-4 (treo.):  
N.H.S. 4.

GREGORY BANNEC — basketball 2, 3; football  
2-4; track 2-4; intramurals 4; band 2-4; jazz;  
orchestra 2; Jr. class v. pres.; Sr. class v. pres.:

king of hearts 4.  
JEFF BARBER — band 2-4; all-st. band 4; jazz  
band 3, 4; studio band 2, 3; pep band 2, 4;  
arch. 2; Jr. Ach. 2; N.H.S. 3, 4; quiz bowl 4;  
V.A.L.P.O. 3, math team 2-4.

AMY BARFELL — intramurals 2, 3; far. exch. 2.  
4; pep club 2-4; V-teens 2.

MICHELLE KAY BARKER  
NANCY BARTELMO — intramurals 4; O.E.A. 4.  
KARL WILHELM REINHOLD DAUER — V.I.C.A.  
KATHY MARIE BAUSWELL — v-teens 2.

CONNIE LOUISE BEACH — D.E.C.A. 3, 4 (treo. 4).  
CRAIG BECKER — football 4; swimming 4;  
baseball 4.

EMIL BEEG  
TAMMY SUZANNE DENNER — intramurals 2, 4;  
far. exch. 3, 4; V.A.L.P.O. 3, 4; Viking Press 3;  
math team 3, 4.

CHRISTOPHER MICHAEL DENNETT

MISTY DENNINGTON  
ANDREW PAUL BERKOSKI — cross coun. 2; in-  
tramurals 2-4; band 2; far. exch. 3, 4.  
JILL DENISE BERKSHIRE — pep club 2; D.E.C.A. 4.  
SHERI LYNN BERNAT — intramurals 2-4; pep  
club 3, 4.

NORMA MARLENE DIELICH — volleyball 2-4;  
softball 3, 4; F.C.A. 2-4 (treo. 4); intramurals 2;  
far. exch. 4; stu. coun. 3, 4 (treos. 4); Latin club  
2; homecoming queen 4.

KIMBERLY BIGGS — volleyball 2; F.C.A. 2; far.  
exch. 2, 3; pep club 3.

MARY BIRD — Valenian 4; pep club 3.  
BRIAN DELBERT BLACKMAN — football 2.  
PHILLIP ALAN BLACKWELL — swimming 3.  
AMY LYNN BLANCO — intramurals 3, 4; far.  
exch. 2-4; pep club 2-4; O.E.A. 4.

FRANK BLASINGAME — football 4; weight club  
4.

BRIAN DANIEL DONTRAGER — wrestling 2.  
GREG BORTH — band 2-4; far. exch. 4.  
BRETT LYLE DOWEN — football 2; wrestling 2,  
3; track 2; F.C.A. 4; intramurals 4; far. exch. 4.  
RHONDA BRADNEY



SCOTT BRADY — Intramurals 2-4; FEC 3.  
 JON LEE BRANDY  
 SHARON SUE BRETZINGER — VICA 3, 4.  
 BRIDGET ELAINE BRICKLEY — Intramurals 2, 3;  
 FEC 2-4; NHS 3, 4; stu. council 2-4; pep club 2-4.  
 BRIGETTE MARIE BROWN — Intramurals 2, 3;  
 pep club 2-4; vikettes 2, 3 (secretary, 3).



JOESEPH J. BROWN — track, 3; Intramurals 2-4;  
 VICA.  
 JULIE ELLEN BROWN — Intramurals 2-4; pep  
 club 2; V-teens 2; YARC 2.  
 PETE JAMES BROWN — wrestling 2-4; track 2-4;  
 FCA 2; cheerleading 3, 4; Kings of Hearts Court  
 4.  
 SUSAN JAYNE BROWN — drama club 2-4; band  
 2-4; pep band 2, 4; FEC 2-4; nat. merit semifinals  
 4; NHS 4; V.A.L.P.O. 3, 4; stu. faculty senate  
 4; math team 2, 3.  
 MIKE BRUCE



JENNIFER DUCHE  
 GREGG JAMES BUNNING — Intramurals 2-4;  
 choir 2-4; swing choir 2-4.  
 JEANNINE BRYSON BURNS — Intramurals 2; pep  
 club 2-4.  
 RITA ANN BURNS — Intramurals 2; V-teens 3;  
 OEA (pres. 4); softball (capt. 4).  
 JIM BUTLER



ROBERT ALLEN BUTTERFIELD — FCA 4; Intramurals  
 2-4.  
 SUSAN ALLINE BYARS — track 2; vikettes 3, 4;  
 Intramurals 2-4; pep club 2-3; FEC 2-4.  
 MARTIN WARD CAIN — Intramurals 2-4; diving  
 2-4.  
 TERESA M. CANNAN  
 CURTIS CANNON — Intramurals 4.



MONICA MARIE CAREY — synch. swim 3; Intramurals  
 4; pep club 2-4; glee club 4.  
 KELLIE SUE CARMICHAEL — FCA 2; Intramurals  
 2; FEC 2, 3; V.A.L.P.O. 3; stu. council 2, 4; soph.  
 class pres; pep club 2-4; SADD (pres., 4).  
 WENDY CASBON — vikettes 2-4, capt., 4; choir  
 2-4; swing choir 2-4.  
 SHERRY CHAMBERS — stu. aide 4.  
 CYNTHIA S. CHAVEZ — vikettes 2-4; choir 2-4;  
 swing choir 4.



LEIGH CHESTER — swimming 2-4 (capt. 4); FEC  
 2; NHS 4.  
 JEFFREY CHIADI — FCA 4; Intramurals 3, 4.  
 ERIK CHILIAN — track 2-4; x-country 2-4; basketball  
 2-4; band 2, 3; orchestra 2; NHS 3, 4;  
 V.A.L.P.O. 3, 4; sr. class pres.; boys' state;  
 Prince of Hearts.  
 DONALD KEITH CHRISSE — basketball 2; baseball  
 2-4; Intramurals 3, 4.  
 ANN WARTHA CHRISTIANSEN — synch. swim 3;  
 band 2-4; pep band 3, 4; FEC 3, 4; pep club 2-4;  
 V-teens 4.







KAZUO CHUJO — swimming 4; Intramurals 4; choir 4; swing choir 4; For. Exch. 4; math team 4; (exchange student from Japan).

MARK A. CHURCH

JOHN THOMAS CIFALDI

DORRIN CLIFFORD — volleyball 2, 3; track 2, 3; weight club 2; FCA 2; drama club 4; sound/light crew 4; For. Exch. 2; pep club 4; PVE teaching 4; volleyball 4 (sportshead).

MARY CLIFFORD — choir 3, 4; glee club 2; OEA 4; teacher's aid 2, 4; choir concessions 4 (Mgr.)

KENNETH E. COLLINS — basketball 2-4; baseball 2-4; FCA 2-4.

STACY N. CONDE — FCA 2-4; Intramurals 2, 3; drama club 4; For. Exch. 2-4; For. 3 (to Denmark); NHS 3, 4; Stu. council 2-4; pep club 2, 3.

KRISTIN COOK — basketball 2-4; FCA 3, 4; Intramurals 2; NHS 3, 4; Stu. council 3, 4; pep club 2-4; Girl's State 3.

MICHAEL COOKE — Intramurals 2; orchestra 2-4; For. Exch.

BRIAN P. CORNELL — basketball 2; football 2-4; track 2-4; FCA 3, 4; Sr. class Treas.

JENNIFER L. CORNELL — Jr. Ach. 2; DECA 4.

JOHN CORNETT — football 2, 3; Intramurals 2; drama club 2; DECA 2.

MARCY LYNN COSTAS — Intramurals 2-4; For. Exch. 3; Volenian 4; Quill and Scroll 4; pep club 2, 4 (treas.) (homecoming chairman).

PHILLIP EDWARD COTRELL — band 2-4; Jazz Ensemble 3, 4; Studio band 2, 3; pep club 2, 4; NHS 4; math team 3; gaming club 2, 3 (v. pres) (pres. 4).

MICHAEL GEORGE COX — basketball 2-4; FCA 3; Intramurals 3, 4.

LYNNETTE MARIE COZZA — orchestra 2.

HEIDI M. CRAMISIE — choir 2, 3.

TED CUSON

DAVID CZEKAJ — swimming 2, 3; Intramurals 4; NHS 2-4; V.A.L.P.O. 3, 4.

MARIE CZEKAJ — swimming 2-4 (captain); Intramurals 4.

## STUDENTS PLAY GOVERNMENT



1984 GIRLS' AND BOYS' STATE DELEGATES: Front Row: Carolyn Evans, Kristin Cook, Lisa Reggie. Back Row: David

McMichael, Scott Anselm, Erik Chillian, Scott Wagenblast. Not Pictured: Kareem El-Naggar.

Reminiscent of the days when children played house, Boys' and Girls' State offers selected teenagers the opportunity to play government.

Eligible students were selected on recommendations on academics, interest in government, and leadership ability. The final delegates were then chosen by the American Legion who sponsored the event, in addition to the

Elks, Rotary, and Kiwanis.

Hoosier Boys' and Girls' State was set up to give students a chance to learn about our government outright, by creating cities, countries and opposing political parties.

Selected Juniors attended State at Indiana State University in Terre Haute over the summer.

— Karla Doelling

MILLARD LOGAN DAMRON

MELISSA GAIL DANIELS — cheerleader 2; drama club 2-4 (pres.); The Splinters 3, 4; Orchestra 2; For. Exch. 2-4; Dom. Exch. 3; NHS 4; quiz bowl 4 (sec.); student aide 2.

LAWRENCE DAVENPORT — VICA 3, 4.

TONYA SUE DAVIS

WILLIAM R. DAVY



MELANIE JOY DEFELER — ski club 4.

JEFF DEGENEFEE — football 3, 4.

KIMBERLY DEMICK — basketball 2, 3; cross country 2; FCA 2-4; intramurals 2, 3; band 2; softball 3, 4.

JAMES DIMITRI — basketball 2-4 (mgr.); baseball 2 (stor.); band 2-4; studio band 2; Karla Marie Doelling — basketball 2-4; track 2; FCA 2-4; intramurals 2-4; student council 2, 3; Soph. class vice-pres.; Valentin 4; Viking Press 3, 4; Quill and Scroll 4; pep club 2-4; homecoming court 4.



## SENIORS MAKE PLANS FOR FUTURE

"What are you going to be when you grow up?"

This question is asked to everyone as children. Most reply, "I want to be a cowboy, a movie star, or the president of the United States!"

This was difficult for seniors to answer. Although they hadn't decided their ultimate career goals, they had to make other important decisions such as if they were going to

attend college, and if so, where. Others chose to get a job or go to trade school.

Whatever choices were made, seniors didn't know what they were going to "be", but took the first step in that direction.

— Lisa Ahlbrand

STUDYING COLLEGE BROCHURES helps seniors Holly Laferty and Jane Lyons make future plans.



REBECCA EILEEN DOERING — drama club 2, 3; choir 2-4; swing choir 3, 4; For. Exch. 2-4; Not. Merit Semifinals 4; NHS 4; V.A.L.P.O. 4.

LISA DOIDGE — intramurals 2-4; pep club 2, 3; V-teens 2; YARC 2; track 3 (stor.).

MICHAEL DOLHOVER — band 2-4; pep band 2, 4.

MEARLE R. DONICA, JR. — golf 2-4.

PAULA DORWARD



JOHN DRAKE — basketball 2; track 2-4; cross country 2-4; intramurals 2-4.

WALLY DZIADOSZ

DEENA LYNN ECKERT — Villettes 2-4; drama club 3, 4; choir 2, 3; For. Exch. 3, 4; stu. coun. 4; pep club 2.

SARA ELIZABETH EHRSTEIN — FCA 2, 3; pep club 4; basketball 3, 4 (stor.).

KAREEM EL-NAGGAR — intramurals 2-4; band 2-4; All-State band 3, 4; Jazz Ensemble 2; For. Exch. 3, 4; NHS 4; Boy's State 3.





WILLIAM ERLBACH — track 2; intramurals 2; far. exch. 4.  
CAROLYN EVANS — drama club 2; arch. 2-4; far. exch. 2-4; Nat. Merit semi-finals 4; NHS 3, 4; quiz bowl 4; V.A.L.P.O. 3, 4; stu. coun. 2-4; stu./fac. Senate 4 (pres.); Girls' St. 3.  
PATRICK SHAWN FAYARD — wrestling 2-4; intramurals.  
RANDALL KRELL FEOLA — football 2-4; track 2-4; weight club 3; intramurals 3.  
AUDREY FENGREN — gymnastics 2, 3; far. exch. 2; pep club 2-4.

EDWARD A. FETLA JR. — football 3, 4; wrestling 2; Weight club 3; intramurals 2; stu./fac. senate 4; DECA 2-4.  
JEFFERY EDWARD FIDNARIK — intramurals 3, 4; arch. 2.  
RICHARD FIEGLE — cross country 2-4; NHS 3, 4; V.A.L.P.O. 3, 4.  
CHRISTINE FIELD — chair 2; far. exch. 4; pep club 2-4; V-teens 2; YARC 4.  
MARY CATHERINE FLUDE — band 2, 3.

JERRY T. FLYNN — football 2-4 (capt.); baseball 2-4; intramurals 3; Valenian 3, 4; Quill and Scroll 3, 4.  
JAMES FRITZ — basketball 2; football 2-4; intramurals 3, 4; NHS 4.  
KATHERINE ELIZABETH GARRETT — basketball 2-4; track 2-4; FCA 2-4 (sec.); far. exch. 2; NHS 3, 4 (v. pres.); V.A.L.P.O. 3; stu. coun. 2-4; pep club 2-4; homecoming court 4.  
CHERYL CHRISTINE GAZDICH — intramurals 2, 3; chair 2, 3.  
RENA GEE

GREG GEISELMAN — football 2, 3; swimming 2; track 2-4; intramurals 3, 4; VICA 3, 4 (pres.).  
PAUL GEISS — baseball 2; wrestling 2; track 3, 4; cross country 2-4; FCA 2-4 (v. pres.); sound/light crew 2; band 2, 3; stu./fac. senate 4.  
ERIC ALAN GENTRY — SADD 4.  
KEVIN ALLEN GILMORE  
MATTHEW CARL GIVEN — track 3; intramurals 2, 3.

AMY CELESTE GLENN — drama club 2; V-teens.  
PAMELA J. GOBLE — swing chair 3; glee club 3.  
ANDREW GOLD — golf 2-4; intramurals 2-4; DECA 2-4.  
NATALIE ANN GOODWIN — intramurals 2; far. exch. 2, 3; pep club 2, 3; OEA 4 (treas.).  
MARY FELICIA GRABOWSKI — vikettes 2-4 (treas.); far. exch. 2-4; NHS 3, 4; V.A.L.P.O. 4; stu./fac. senate 4; pep club 2, 3 (treas.); V-teens 2.

DARBY GRAHAM — intramurals 3, 4; far. exch. 3; Jr. achievement 2; DECA 4.  
ROBYN LYNN GREINKE — track 3; vikettes 2-4; far. exch. 2-4; pep club 2-4.  
DAVID GRENIER — Jr. achievement 2; Valenian 3; Quill and Scroll 3; VICA 2-4.  
RAE LYNN GRIVETTI — vikettes 2-4; band 2; intramurals 2; arch. 2; VICA 4.  
SUZANNE GUDINO — intramurals 3, 4; pep club 2; OEA 4.

MATT HADEL — Intramurals 2-4; YARC 4.  
 VICTORIA HELENE CHRISTIAN HAGSTROM —  
 Intramurals 3, 4; swimming 2; Viking Press  
 2; pep club 4; YARC 4.  
 RICHARD ARTHUR HALL — swimming 2-4;  
 FEC 2.  
 JEANNE HANDLEY — FEC 2, 3; swimming 2.  
 3; V-teens 4; pep club 2; jr. achievement 2.  
 DIANE RENEE HARDER



LEANNE HARRINGTON — pep club 3; V-  
 teens 3, 4 (pres. 4); YARC (vice-pres. 4);  
 band 2-4; FEC 4.  
 BRIAN HARRIS — band 2; NHS 4.  
 RAYMOND HARRIS — pep band 2, 3; ar-  
 chestra 2; band 2-4.  
 NATHAN DALE HARTZ — FEC 2.  
 CHRISTIAN JOYCE HEDGES — pep club 2;  
 DECA 2, 3; FEC 2, 3.



CINDRA HEIMBERG — glee club 2; choir 2, 3;  
 Intramurals 2.  
 MICHAEL HEINOLD — Intramurals 2-4.  
 JULIE HENDERSON — drama club 2; band 2;  
 pep band band 3; archestra 2; FEC 2-4  
 (vice-pres 4) NHS (sec. 4); V.A.L.P.O. 4; far.  
 exch. stu. 4; soph. class sec.  
 TRACEY L. HENSON — Intramurals 2; pep  
 club 2; V-teens 2; YARC 4.  
 MATTHEW MICHAEL HERKO — track 2-4;  
 weight club 2, 3; Intramurals 2, 3; football  
 2, 3.



DOUG HERNANDEZ — wrestling 2-4.  
 SHERYL HERR — YARC 4.  
 ANDREA HERRICK — band 2-4; YARC 4; V-  
 teens 4; Intramurals 2; drama club 3; FEC 2,  
 4.  
 PAUL NORMAN HINES  
 LAWRENCE JOSEPH HOFFERTH — football 2;  
 Intramurals 2-4; FEC 3, 4; DECA 4 (sec. 4)



JENNIFER LEIGH HOHL — FEC 4.  
 DOUG HOHL — basketball 2 (mangr.); gam-  
 ing club 2-4.  
 GREG HOOD — Intramurals 3; swimming 2-  
 4 (capt. 4); jr. achievement 2; gaming club  
 4.  
 DANA ELISE HOWARD — FEC 2-4; pep club  
 2-4 (treas. 3); V-teens 2; YARC 4.  
 HILLARY HOWARD



NOEL C. HOWARD — track 4; DECA 4.  
 JEFF HREHA — football 2-4 (capt. 4); wres-  
 tling 2, 3; track 2-4; cheerleading 3, 4.  
 PAUL HUBBARD — archestra 2; ICT 4; DECA  
 3.  
 RAYMOND GEORGE HUBER — swimming 3;  
 Intramurals 2-4; band 2-4; pep band 4; jazz  
 band 4.  
 TRACY LYNN HUBER — football 2-4; wres-  
 tling 2-3; cheerleading 4; pep band 2; ar-  
 chestra 2; band 2-4.







TRACEY CHRISTINE HUGHES — OEA (sec. 4) softball 3, 4.  
 MICHAEL STEVEN HULL — football 2-4; weight-lifting club 3, 4.  
 BETH ANN HUNT — drama club 2-4; band 2, 3; pep band 2; V.A.L.P.O. math team 2-4.  
 MIKE HUTTON — intramurals 2-4; Viking Press 2.  
 AKEMI ICHIHASHI — intramurals 4; swing chair 4; FEC 4; foreign exchange student from Japan.

JOE JACKSON — VICA 3 (pres.).  
 JAMIE JACOBS — swimming 2-4; intramurals 2-4; FEC 2-4; pep club 2.  
 LARRY JACOBSEN — intramurals 2-4; DECA 2-4.  
 PAUL JANKOWSKI — intramurals 2-4; Valenian 3, 4 (copy editor 4); Viking Press 2-4; Quill and Scroll 3-4 (Pres. 4).  
 TAMMY JANKOWSKI — FEC 2; pep club 2.

JACKIE JENKINS — pep club 3, 4; SADD 3, 4.  
 MANDY JOHANSEN — FEC 3; pep club 3; DECA 3-4 (vice pres. 4).  
 LORI JOHNSON — band 2-4; pep club 4; OEA (pres. 4).  
 TODD JOHNSON  
 JOE JOHNSTON — swimming 3, 4; intramurals 2-4; gaming club (vice pres. 4).

JOHN JONES — intramurals 2; VICA 3, 4.  
 CHARMAINE JOYCE — intramurals 2-4; band 2; YARC 2, 3; DECA 3.  
 PAMELA JUDSON — Viking Press 2-4 (co-editor 3, 4); Valenian 3, 4; NHS 3, 4; stu. fac. sen. 4; drama club 2-4; thespians 3, 4; quill and scroll 3, 4; V.A.L.P.O. 3, 4; Latin club 2 (sec. 2); stu. council 2.  
 MARY KASTER — drama club 2-4; band 2-4 (drum maj. 4).  
 KATHLEEN KECK — intramurals 3, 4; NHS 3, 4; FEC 3, 4; V-teens 4.

## GIRLS LEAD CLASS

Few people are recognized for their long, sought after achievements during high school, whether it be athletic, academic, or musical. Seniors Tammy Benner and Debbie Spejewski were awarded this past spring for their academic performance.

After four years of studying and dedication to schoolwork, Tammy earned the title of valedictorian and Debbie was named salutatorian.

"I'm proud of being valedictorian, but don't want people to see me as just that because I have other interests too," Tammy said. Accumulating a grade point average of 4.3226, she plans to attend Valparaiso University to study math and science education.

"The differences in G.P.A.'s were very close between those in the top 20. I am very proud and honored to be salutatorian because there were many people capable and qualified to be in my position," Debbie said. Majoring in computer-science, she will attend Purdue University.

— Lisa Ahlbrand

RANKED AT THE top of the 1985 Class were Tammy Benner and Debbie Spejewski.





BRIAN KELLER — football 2.  
 GREG KENDRICK — swimming 2-4; intramurals 3; band 2; For. Exch. 3, 4; gaming club 4; food service club 4 (pres.).  
 LYNETTE KENNEDY — basketball 2; intramurals 2-4; V.A.L.P.O. 3; stu. coun. 2-4; pep club 2-4; diving 3, 4 (captain 4); Soph. class officer.  
 WILLIAM JAMES KENNELLY  
 DENNIS LEE KISSINGER — baseball 2-4; intramurals 2, 3.



JENNIFER KLUTH — intramurals 3, 4; For. Exch. 2-4; pep club 2, 3; student aid 2-4.  
 LYNNE KNOWLTON — intramurals 4; pep club 4.  
 DEBBIE KOBAK — track 2, 3; cross country 3; band 2; orch. 2; For. Exch. 2-4; (foreign student to France 3) Dom. Exch. 3; NHS 3, 4; V.A.L.P.O. 3, 4; stu. coun. 2-4; Jr. class treas. Viking Press 2-4.  
 DAVID KOLAR — swimming 2-4; For. Exch. 2-4.  
 KELLY KONRAD — vikette 2, 3; intramurals 2, 3; band 2; For. Exch. 2; Stu./fac. senate 3; pep club 2, 3; OEA 4.

## CHOSEN FOUR

A phone call informing someone of an Oscar nomination would make anyone's day. So it was with four VHS students who were named National Merit Finalists.

National Merit chooses students from each state with exceptionally high PSAT scores. To come up with the total score, the verbal composite is doubled, and the math is ad-

ded.

National Merit offers some scholarships, but not all finalists receive them. According to Miss Beaver, guidance counselor, our school does very well in comparison to other high schools.

— Marcy Costas

1984-85 NATIONAL MERIT FINALISTS: Susan Brown, Cindy Lott, Carolyn Evans, Laura Nuechterlein.



JAMES KORKUS — intramurals 3; Latin Club 3, 4.  
 KARA KOVALICK — intramurals 2-3; For. Exch. 2-4; pep club 2-4; stu. aid 2-4.  
 ROD KRAISINGER — golf 2-4.  
 KATHRINE LEIGH KRAUSE — NHS 3-4; V.A.L.P.O. 3, 4; pep club 4.  
 HAROLD DAVID KUEHL



HOLLY LYNN LAFFERTY — volleyball 2; FCA 2; intramurals 3, 4; pep club 2; OEA 4; homecoming princess 4.  
 RICHARD RANDALL LARSON — basketball 4 (mgr.); football 2-4; weight club 3; FCA 2-4; intramurals 3, 4; choir 2, 3; swing choir 2, 3; VICA 4.  
 MARC LATEROZO — wrestling 2-4; For. Exch. 4; Jr. Achievement 2, 3.  
 STEVEN LAWRENCE  
 GLORIA LEE — For. Exch. 2-4; V-teens 3, 4.  
 YARC 4.



MIKE LEETZ — track 2-4; x-country 2, 3; intramurals 2-4; FEC 2, 3; stu. council 2, 3;  
TODD LEFFEW — wrestling 2-4.  
CATHERINE LEININGER — swimming 2-4;  
ROBERT LEMAY  
DEBORAH SUE LINTON — intramurals 2-4; drama club 3; FEC 2-4; NHS 3, 4; pep club 2-4; V-teens 4 (treas.).

MARC LIPPENS — baseball 2; wrestling 2, 3; intramurals 4.  
MATT LOMAS  
TIMANN DENISE LONG  
CARLA CHRISTINE LOOFT — vikettes 2-4 (sec. 4); FEC 2-4; pep club 2-4.  
CYNTHIA LOTT — drama club 2; all state band 2, 3; jazz ensemble 2, 3; FEC 2-4; NHS 4.

MARC JACOB LUECKE — drama club 2-4; gaming club 2, 3.  
THOMAS WILLIAM LYON — tennis 2; intramurals 2.  
JANE ELIZABETH LYONS — swimming 2; track 2, 3; 2, 3; intramurals 4; pep club 2-4; FEC 2, 3.  
RINO MACAPAGAL — football 2-4; swimming 2; track 2-4; intramurals 2-4; sr. class sec.  
JILL ELIZABETH MACLENNAN — pep club 2-4.

TODD ALLEN MACK — choir 2, 3; swing choir 3.  
PATRICK MADDEN — gaming club 2; swimming 3, 4; intramurals 2, 3.  
KIMBERLY MADURA — vikettes 2-4.  
CARL MAERTZ — football 2; wrestling 2-4; F.C.A. 2, 3; far. exch. 2, 3; NHS 3, 4; V.A.L.P.O. 3, 4.  
BRENDA JEAN MARKLEY — Student Aid 3, 4.

GREGORY ALFRED MARQUEZ — football 2-4; weight club 2, 3; intramurals 3, 4; Nat. merit semi-fin. 4.  
PAUL MARSHALL — intramurals 3; choir 2-4; N.H.S. 4; soccer 4.  
ROGER MARSHALL  
SHERIE MARTIN — far. exch. 4; pep club 2-4.  
JOHN HUGHETT MARTZ — track 2, 3; cross country 2, 3; intramurals 2, 3.

STEPHEN ANTHONY MASSA — intramurals 3; V.A.L.P.O. 3, 4; soccer 4.  
STEPHANIE MATHAS  
ROBERT SCOTT MAXEY  
SCOTT ALAN MCARTHY — basketball 2-4; baseball 2-4.  
MALINDA SUE MCCULLOUGH — student aid 2-4.

BRIAN MICHAEL McDONALD — intramurals 2-4.

PATRICK J. McDONALD — weight club 2; intramurals 2-4; drama club 2-4; thespians 2, 4; for. exch. 3, 4; Jr. Achievement 2; Nat. Merit 3; quiz bowl 4; V.A.L.P.O. 3, 4; stu. coun. 4; pep club 3.

JULIE ANN MCGILL — intramurals 2-4; for. exch. 2; pep club 3, 4.

DAVID MCMICHAEL

BLAINE MCQUILLAN — intramurals 3, 4; arch. 2, 3; for. exch. 3, 4.

NORA DESALES MCQUILLAN — intramurals 2-4; for. exch. 2-4; NHS 3, 4; V.A.L.P.O. 4; stu. coun. 2-4; pep club 3, 4.

JASON B. MESCHES — tennis 2, 3; for. exch. 3, 4; V.A.L.P.O. 3.

MELISSA MEYER — DECA 4.

PATRICIA MEYER

SARA EVELYN MEYER — FCA 4; intramurals 3; for. exch. 2-4; NHS 4; V.A.L.P.O. 4; pep club 4; v-teens 2-4; YARC 4.

LISA ANN MEYERS — FCA 2-4; for. exch. 2-4; stu. coun. 4; VICA 4 (sec.); intramurals 2-4; JAMES LAURENCE MILLER — baseball 2-4; intramurals 3; band 2-4; all-st. band 2-4; jazz 3, 4; studio band 2; all-st. jazz 3; pep band 2-4; arch. 2; all-st. arch. 3, 4; NHS 3, 4; V.A.L.P.O. 3.

PHILIP MILLER — intramurals 4.

RACHEL LYNNE MILLER — FCA 4; cheerleading 2, 3; intramurals 4; band 2, 3; for. exch. 2-4; dom. exch. 3; stu. coun. 2-4 (sec. 4) JUNE ELLEN MILLS

NOCHA JENA MINCHUCK — vikettes 2-4; for. exch. 2-4; pep club 2-4.

PAUL MOLITORIS

RAY G. MOODY — arch. 2; math team 2-4.

JENNY MURPHY — swimming 2-4 (capt.); FCA 2-4; cheerleading 2; pep club 2, 3.

NORA MURPHY — basketball 2-4; cross country 3, 4 (capt. 4); FCA 2-4 (pres. 4); intramurals 2, 4; band 2, 3; for. exch. 2, 3; stu. coun. 2, 3; YARC 4; pep club 3; softball 3, 4 (capt.).

RAMON NEGRETTE — FCA 4; intramurals 4; for. exch. 4; foreign student from Spain; soccer 4.

KARI NELSON — FCA 4; intramurals 2, 3; pep band 2, 4; VICA 4 (sec.).

MARK NELSON — tennis 2-4; track 2; intramurals 2-4; for. exch. 4.

MIKE NEWHARD — SADD 3, 4.

DAVE NEWLIN — intramurals 2-4.

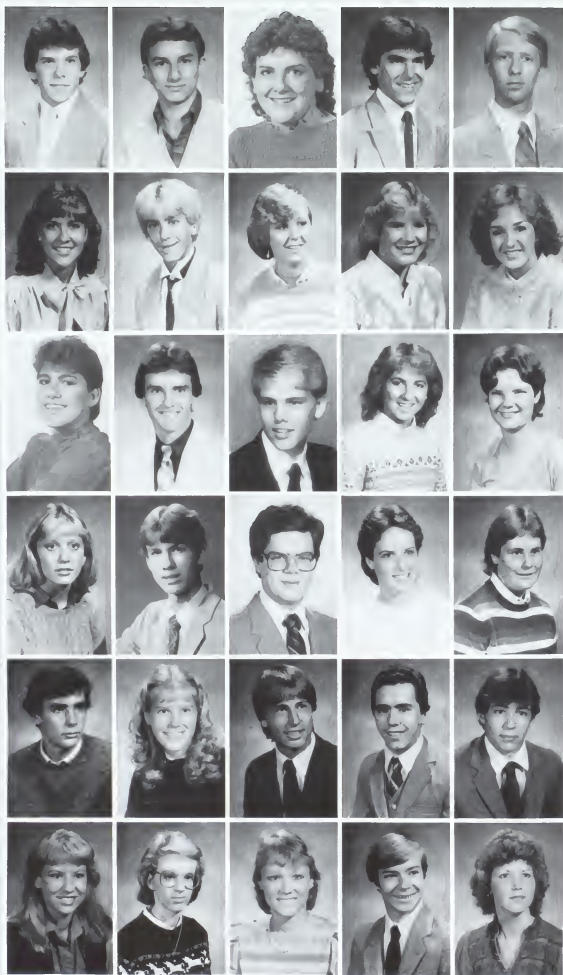
JAMIE NILAND — for. exch. 3, 4; stu. coun. 4; Valenion 3; Quill and Scroll 3; pep club 2-4 (homecoming chairman 4).

LAURA JANE NUECHTERLEIN — drama club 2, 3; for. exch. 2-4; Nat. Merit 4; V.A.L.P.O. 3, 4.

AMBER NUEST — swimming 2-4; track 2, 3; FCA 2; for. exch. 2; stu. coun. 2-4; pep club 2-4.

MIKE NUSS — swimming 4; cross country 3; intramurals 4.

BETH ELAINE OLSON — softball 3.



# SPRING BREAK: PURE FOR SENIORITY

Everyone who's had the flu knows that the first few days are feverish and restless, the next couple are "rack-bottom", and the final few begin the uphill climb back to health. Popular remedies include aspirin and rest.

Seniors stricken with senioritis followed a similar pattern of "illness". Shortly after Christmas vacation, holiday excitement was still evident. This spirit soon melted into a nagging boredom that lasted until the warm weather of April and May triggered the uphill climb back to activity. However, one temporary remedy

for the classic case of senioritis was a little fun in the sun over spring break.

But spring break was not just a week off. It was a four-month phenomenon. As the holiday spirit faded, chants rang through the halls: "75 more days 'til spring break!"

This continued until 50 days were left. Then tentative plans started creeping into conversation. Dreams of white sand, foamy surfs, and anywhere-but-Valpo dominated the possibilities.

About a month before the vacation, dreams became concrete plans. Fi-

nally, Friday arrived, and classes were forgotten. GETTING OUT was the only topic of the day. Once the 2:30 bell sounded, the entire school emptied in two minutes flat, with the seniors leading the pack.

Following tradition, many seniors traveled to Florida, either with family or friends. Others ventured to Colorado, California, or Texas. Staying with grandparents or splitting the cost of an inexpensive motel helped some students minimize costs. "I flew down with a friend and stayed with my grandmother in Fort Lau-

derdale over spring break," said senior John Wright.

While flying was the most popular means of transportation, a few students braved the elements and decided to drive to their destinations. "My friends and I drove to Colorado and rented a condominium," commented senior Gary Spencer.

Rather than just a ten-day holiday, spring break was an *experience* that provided enough of a change to cure the seniors' "illness", if only for a while.

— Pam Judson &  
Lisa Ahlbrand



SHARON PALM — volleyball 2-4; tennis 2, 3; FCA 2-4; intramurals 2-4; drama club 4; for. exch. 2-4.

PAUL PARKER — intramurals 3.  
PATRICK PASTOR — basketball 2; baseball 2, 3; intramurals 3, 4.

MIKE PATRICK — band 2-4; all-st. band 2-4; jazz 3, 4; pep band 2, 3; arch. 2; Valenian 3, 4; Viking Press 3, 4; Quill and Scroll 3, 4.  
DAVID JAMES PECK

HARVEY PEDDLE — basketball 2-4; cross country 4.

WENDY PELOSO — drama club 2-4 (sec. 4); Therapists 3, 4; band 2-4; all-st. band 2-4; studio band 2; all-st. arch. 3; for. exch. 2-4; NHS 3, 4; V.A.L.P.O. 3, 4; stu. coun. 2-4; pep club 3.

BRAD PESSMEG — sound/light crew 2-4; choir 2, 3; swing choir 2, 3; VICA 3.  
JAMES PEYTON — arch. 2-4.

TIMOTHY PIAZZA — wrestling 2.

ROBERT PIKULA — basketball 2-4; VICA 4 (v. pres.).

JAMES POLAREK  
GINA MARIE POLITE — intramurals 3, 4;  
DECA 3; OEA 4.  
TIMOTHY PRAHLOW — intramurals 4; band 2-4; arch. 2; NHS 3, 4.

FREDA PRASSAS — intramurals 2-4; for. exch. 2-4; Jr. achievement 2; NHS 4; v. teens 2-4 (v. pres.).



DALE PULLINS — intramurals 2-4; Far. exch. 3, 4

TODD PULLINS

JULIE RADER — drama club 2-4; Thespians 3; studio band 3; chair 2, 3; swing chair 2, 3; Far. Exch. 2-4; NHS 4; V-teens 4; YARC 4 (pres).

CHRIS RAZUS — vikettes 2-4 (captain); Far. Exch. 4; pep club 2-4 (sec.); YARC 4.

MICHAEL REARDON — baseball 2; intramurals 3, 4.

D'ANDREA REDMAN — intramurals 2, 3; pep club 2, 3.

DIANA REEDER

LISA REGGIE — basketball 2-4; FCA 2-4; Dorn. Exch. 3; NHS 3, 4; pep club 2-4; Girls' State 3.

KRISTEN RESCHKE — basketball 2; tennis 2, 4; FCA 2-4; Far. Exch. 2, 3.

JOHN RESH



## A SENIOR FAREWELL TO VHS

The past is a big part of our lives. Whether we remember it as pleasant or otherwise, the memories will live on. So it will also be with high school.

Not many would consent to going through high school all over again, but most want to always remember those years. Graduation time is exciting. It gives seniors a chance to look back on their work and feel proud of what they have accomplished. However, some are already thinking about what they will miss

most. "Security was a big part of my high school years, I think I'll miss that most," was John Cornett's feeling. Another senior, Jenny Thiry, replied, "I'll really miss my school friends. I may not see some of them again."

Friendships with all change for most people. Lisa Ahlbrand explained, "My school friends are great, and I'll miss them, but I'm looking forward to college."

A charge to the seniors: Keep moving on and only look back to glance at the good times because you have many more successful years to come.

— Marcy Costas

A CROWD OF spirited seniors celebrate a VHS lead during a varsity boys basketball game.



NATHAN DAVID RETTINGER — baseball 2; intramurals 2-4.

ROBIN RISING — vikettes 2; intramurals 2-4; band 2; stu. coun. 2-4; pep club 2-4.

MELISSA RIZZO — basketball 3; FCA 4; band 2; Far. Exch. 4; pep club 4.

KRISTIN RODMAN — Jr. Achievement 2; VICA 4.

WILLIAM GLEN ROUGH, JR. — cross country 2; intramurals 3, 4; Far. Exch. 4; NHS 3, 4; soccer 4.







VICTORIA MARIE ROWE — gymnastics 2-4; Intramurals 2-4; Viking Press 3; pep club 2-4; V-teens 2.  
REGINA ANN RUMFORD — cheerleading 2-4; intramurals 2-4; For. Exch. 2-4; stu. coun. 2-4; stu./foc. Senate 4; pep club 2-4; homecoming court 4.  
TOY ANN RUNK — swimming 4 (captain).  
JILL SUZANNE RUPNOW — band 2-4; For. exch. 2-4; V-teens 3, 4 (sec.).  
JOHN RUSSELL JR. — track 4.



CHRISTOPHER J. SANDBERG — intramurals 2; teachers aid 2.  
LINDA MARIE SANFORD — drama club 2; band 2-4; For. exch. 2; V-teens 2; YARC 4.  
NATHAN SCHMOLLI — intramurals 2-4; band 2-4; jazz ensemble 3, 4; studio band 2; pep band 2-3; For. exch. 3, 4.  
JENNIFER NANCY SCHULTZ — basketball 2; intramurals 2; pep club 2-4; student aid 3, 4.  
BRENDA ROSE SCHWINKENDORF — V-teens 2; YARC 2; VICA 3, 4; SADD 4.



KATHLEEEN MARIE SCOTT — cheerleader 2, 3; For. exch. 2-4; stu./foc. Senate 4; pep club 2-4 (pres.); homecoming court 4.  
MICHAEL SEALES  
ANU L.H. SEISTO — choir 4; swing choir 4; For. exch. 4; (exch. stu. from Finland); V-teens 4.  
DEBRA ANN SEWARD — drama club 2-4 (treas.); choir 2; For. exch. 3, 4; NHS 4; V-teens 2-4.  
MARY ELIZABETH SEXTON — vikettes 2; intramurals 3, 4; For. exch. 3; stu. coun. 2-4; pep club 2-4.



SANDRA LEE SHODE — SADD 4.  
BRAD R. SHUMAKER  
CINDY L. SHUPE  
KEVIN LEE SIENKOWSKI — football 2-4; track 2-4; intramurals 2-4.  
JODY LEE SIMS — football 2-4; track 2-4; intramurals 3, 4.



KRISTINA S. SIROVICA — volleyball 2; For. exch. 2-4; NHS 3, 4; V-teens 3, 4.  
KRIS SLATER — swimming 2; vikettes 4; choir 2, 3; For. exch. 2, 3.  
MATTHEW DAVID SOLIDAY — football 2; baseball 2; intramurals 2-4.  
GORDANA GLORIA SORMAZ — tennis 3; For. exch. 2-4; Valenian 4; Viking Press 2, 3; Quill and Scroll 4; pep club 2-4.  
DEBRA ANN SPEJEWSKI — drama club 2, 3; band 2-4 (v-pres.); jazz ensemble 3, 4; pep band 3, 4; For. exch. 3, 4; NHS 3, 4; quiz bowl 4; V.A.L. P.O. 3, 4; stu./foc. Senate 4 (sec.-treas.); V-teens 2-4; math team 2, 3.



GARY S. SPENCER — football 2-4; golf 3, 4; track 2; weight club 2-4; intramurals 2-4.  
LISA PATRICIA STANCZAK — track 2, 3; gymnastics 3; 4; cheerleading 2; intramurals 2; For. exch. 2-4; NHS 3, 4; V.A.L.P.O. 3, 4; pep club 2-4.  
GARY STASIEROWSKI  
SHANNON BETH STEELE — basketball 2; volleyball 2; FCA 2-4; For. exch. 2-4; dom. exch. 3, 4.  
ANNE MARIE STEIDER — swimming 2-4; vikettes 4; FCA 4; choir 2-4; For. exch. 2-4.

KATHRYN GALILEE STEVENSON — choir 2.  
SANDRA RAE STEWART — volleyball 2; intramurals 3, 4; band 2; pep club 3.  
ERIC STOKES  
ESTHER L. STRALNIC — basketball 3; far. exch. 4.  
RICHARD STROHL



JENNIFER LYNN MICHAEL STRONG  
TIMOTHY SEBASTIAN JOHN SULLIVAN — track 2; cross country 2; intramurals 2-4; far. exch. 3, 4; pep club 2; soccer 4.  
STEVEN SUTTON  
JEANETTE MARIE SWANSON — intramurals 3, 4; far. exch. 2; pep club 2-4; YARC 4.  
RICHARD SZUCH



LAURA ANN TESTA — basketball 2; tennis 2-4; FCA 2-4; cheerleading 2; far. exch. 2; stu. coun. 2-4 (pres. 4); pep club 2-4.  
JENNIFER JANE THIRLY — intramurals 2; NHS 4; pep club 2, 3.  
JASON WILLIAM TIMMONS — swimming 2-4; far. exch. 2; VICA 4.  
MARK TONNER — wrestling 2; cross country 2; intramurals 4; far. exch. 3, 4; YARC 4 (treas.); soccer 4.  
MARK TOTH — band 2, 3; far. exch. 3, 4; soccer 4.



TOM TRAYCOFF  
KYM ULDRICKS — pep club 2, 3; OEA 4.  
GABE VACA — track 2, 4; intramurals 4.  
JOHN VAJDA — ICT 4; VICA 4 (pres.).  
JEFF VANSYOC — sound/light crew 4.

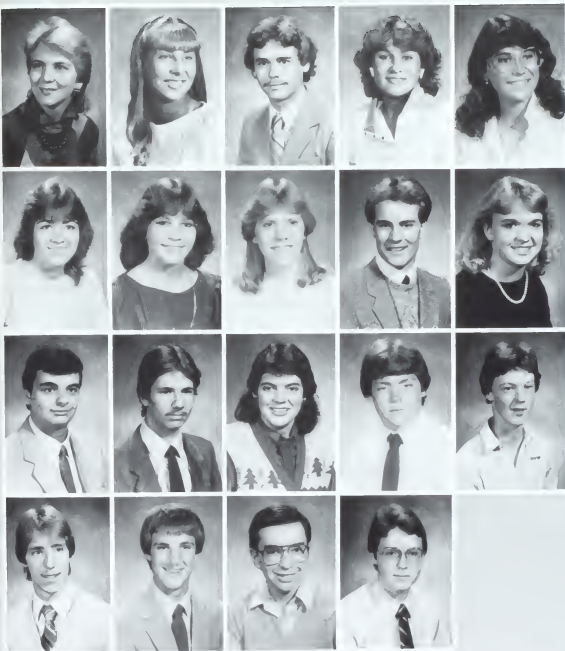


JENNIFER B. VARELA — intramurals 2, 3; band 2; far. exch. 3, 4; NHS 4; Viking Press 2.  
VICKY VAS — intramurals 2-4.  
DANIEL VASS — football 2; intramurals 3, 4.  
TERESA VAUGHN — FEC 2-4; intramurals 4; pep club 2.  
JEFF VEATCH — sound/light crew 3, 4; NHS 4; VICA 4.



MICKY VERNICH — football 3; wrestling 4.  
RONALD VILLENEUVE — basketball 2; baseball 2-4; intramurals 3, 4.  
SCOTT WAGENBLAST — tennis 2-4; intramurals 2; band 2-4 (pres.); all-star band 2-4; jazz 2-4; studio band 2-4; pep band 2-4; NHS 3, 4 (Pres.); V.A.L.P.O. 3, 4; math team 3, 4.  
MICHAEL WALLACE  
ERICH WALLS — intramurals 4; far. exch. 2-4; soccer 4.





DARD J. WALTERS — vikettes 2; drama club 2-4; thespians 4; choir 2, 3; swing chair 2, 3; NHS 4; stu./fac. senate 4; Volenian 3, 4; (ed. 4) (SADD 4) Viking Press 2-4; Quill and Scroll 3, 4.

MELISSA ANN WARHEIT — track 3; intramurals 2-4; band 2-4; all-st. band 2, 3; jazz 2; studio band 2; arch. 2; for exch. 2-4; stud. coun. 2-4; Soph. Jr. class pres.; pep club 2-4; JOHN WASEMANN  
RHONDA LYNN WASHBURN — intramurals 3, 4; for. exch. 2-4; pep club 2-4.  
SHARI ANNE WELCH — vikettes 2-4.

JUDY LEIGH WHALLS — intramurals 3, 4; for. exch. 3; NHS 4; stu./fac. senate 4; pep club 2-4; DECA 3, 4.

BRENDA LYNN WHEELER — for. exch. 4.  
RUTH MAY WHEELER — cross country 2-4; choir 2, 3; DECA 3.

BRAD ALLEN WHITE — football 2, 3; weight club 2, 3; intramurals 4.

ELIZABETH ALENE WILLIAMS — vikettes 2, 3; drama club 3, 4; for exch. 2-4; dom. exch. 3; NHS 4; stu. coun. 2-4 (v. pres. 4); stu./fac. senate 4; pep club 3.

ROBERT SCOTT WILLS — NHS 4; Volenian 2.  
BRADLEY STEVEN WOJCIK — intramurals 4; NHS 3, 4; V.A.L.P.O. 4.

BARBRA JEAN WOMACKS — vikettes 2, 3; intramurals 2; stu. coun. 2, 3; pep club 2-4; OEA 4.

JEFFREY ALAN WOOD — band 2-4; jazz 3, 4; studio band 2, 3; pep band 2-4; V.A.L.P.O. 3.

JEFF WOODRUFF — weight club.

JOHN CURTIS WOODVILLE — football 4.  
MATTHEW THOMAS WORKMAN — basketball 2-4; golf 2; cross country 2; FCA 4; king of hearts court, 4.

JERRY L. YOHE

PETER ALLEN ZIERZ — intramurals 4; NHS 3, 4.

## IN MEMORIAM



DANIEL GEORGE JONES — basketball 2, 3; baseball 3; intramurals 3; Vikings Press 3.

TODD ANDREW SUSDORF — baseball 3; FCA 2; VICA 3; football 2, 3.

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# LET TO LEAD

A music group has many different functions. Singers, guitar players, and drummers are all important to be successful.

Like a rock group, Junior Class Officers each had a job to perform, but the purpose of their responsibilities was to provide the best year possible for the juniors.

Elected to serve during the 1984-1985 school year were: Mark Hardwick, Mike Neis, Joe Pekarek, and Missy Leetz. The officers met every Friday

mainly to discuss and plan prom.

Working with the officers this year were, Mrs. Brenda Green, and Mrs. Mara Fiegle-Hicks, sponsors.

All officers agreed that their overall goal was to do their part to have a successful prom.

— Marcy Costas

**JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS** — *Front Row:* Mark Hardwick, pres.; Missy Leetz, sec. *Back Row:* Mike Neis, v. pres.; Joe Pekarek, treas.



Acres, Narm  
Adams, Leslie  
Adkins, Rebecca  
Ailes, Laura  
Albers, Kristine  
Albers, Stephen  
Alcantara, Marco  
Alexander, Cherle



Allen, Richard  
Altenhof, David  
Andamasaris, Caroline  
Anderson, Thomas  
Andrick, David  
Ang, Minnie  
Antammaria, Amy  
Ashmore, William



Arha, Timothy  
Atkinson, Kimberly  
Atwell, Lauri  
Baldwin, Herbert  
Banks, Scott  
Barnett, Stewart  
Baron, Victor  
Barone, Russ



Bell, Valerie  
Bellan, Ella  
Benedict, Bart  
Benjamin, Donne  
Berkowski, Donald  
Bernardi, Samuel  
Beutler, Robert  
Biggerstaff, Keith



Bishop, Michele  
Black, Brian  
Blake, Jennifer  
Bloney, Vernon  
Bodensteiner, Julie  
Dastel, Megan  
Bogon, Sherri  
Dandi, Christine







Dorman, Dana  
Dastic, Paul  
Dauche, James  
Dawden, Angela  
Dawmon, Ute  
Dayer, Suzanne  
Brandt, Kevin  
Brickley, Alex

Briggs, Kathleen  
Brink, Wendell  
Broadhurst, Jennifer  
Brasky, Jeffrey  
Brown, Jeffery  
Brown, Laura  
Brown, Marc  
Brown, Melissa

Brown, Stephen  
Bruce, Max  
Buchanan, Julie  
Bucher, Lisa  
Burbie, Thomas  
Burbie, Timothy  
Burgeson, Michelle  
Durkholder, Jill

Burns, Leslie  
Burt, Tina  
Burtan, Marilyn  
Bush, Sandra  
Byron, Michael  
Complan, Leah  
Cannon, Leonard  
Coppola, Michael

Caprous, Anthony  
Carlson, Kristen  
Carlson, Tamara  
Carrell, Julia  
Cavanaugh, Natalie  
Chaney, Donna  
Christawski, Ricky  
Church, Shannon

Cifaldi, Timothy  
Clark, Scott  
Cleveland, Julie  
Clements, Lynn  
Cliffard, Suzanne  
Coates, Robert  
Colby, Stefanie  
Collins, Timothy

Combs, Roberta  
Comelard, Caroline  
Condon, Charles  
Conner, Thomas  
Conrick, James  
Cornell, Scott  
Covington, Kimberly  
Creager, Sharyl

Crise, Thomas  
Criswell, Michael  
Crawley, Kathleen  
Crownover, Michele  
Daggett, Michael  
Dafonso, James  
Dembinski, Larry  
Davis, Amy



Davis, Bruce  
Daxe, Elise  
Decker, Donetto  
Derflinger, Brenda  
Diaz, Jackie  
Dick, B.J.  
Dickson, Lori  
Dobis, Debrah



Doelling, Paulo  
Doering, David  
Dombrowski, Lawrence  
Dorris, Linda  
Dory, Regina  
Douglas, George  
Douglas, Kothryne  
Douglas, Michelle



Ducat, Nancy  
Dunivan, Amy  
Dusek, Judi  
Dye, Cheryl  
Eaton, Brian  
Eddy, Melissa  
Eder, Heidi  
Edwards, Pamela



Egalf, Kristie  
Eichelberger, Sandra  
Elieff, Susan  
Ellis, Charles  
Emshwiller, Jan  
Eskilton, Philip  
Evans, Matt  
Evans, Melissa



Faber, Melissa  
Farahmand, Robert  
Fattare, Gina  
Fiegle, James  
Finley, Scott  
Fischer, Jeff  
Fitzer, Dawn  
Foltn, Glenn



Foreman, Kim  
Farnal, Brian  
Fortune, Chad  
Foster, Cindy  
Freese, Susan



Frey Ann  
Fritz, Julie  
Frabish, David  
Frye, Susan  
Furlin, Laureen



Gaines, Joey  
Gallenbeck, Shonda  
Geiss, Laura  
Gill, Brian  
Giron, Jeanette





Gald, Amy  
Garnersall, Nicole  
Grabowski, Michelle  
Grube, Brendan  
Grube, Lia  
Haga, Lisa  
Hanson, Julie  
Harbaugh, Kathy

Hardebeck, Jennifer  
Hardwick, Mark  
Harper, Sam  
Harris, Heidi  
Hartwig, Laura  
Hatchett, Jeff  
Hauser, Elizabeth  
Heffernan, Neal

Heinz, Mary  
Henning, Sandy  
Henriques, Kathy  
Herbst, Scott  
Herrick, Melissa  
Hewlett, Craig  
Hickman, William  
Higbie, Jeff

Highland, Kristin  
Hilzley, James  
Hiringer, Lisa  
Habsan, Ron  
Hafreizer, Amy  
Halcamb, Susan  
Hoobler, Lisa  
Harsley, Christopher

Haskins, Andrew  
Hause, Michelle  
Hauston, Tammy  
Howard, Suzanne  
Howe, Sheila  
Huber, Tam  
Hughes, Lori  
Husmann, Gail

Huttinger, Mike  
Ingram, Heather  
Ippolita, Tammy

Jacobson, Ann  
Jokel, Nabby  
Jasnic, Sally

Jahnsen, Susan  
Jahnsen, Tammie  
Jones, Deann

## LOVE VS. AGE

Age only matters when choosing cheese or wine. In choosing a date, however, many students feel age doesn't count.

"I feel the maturity of a person is all that matters. If two people really care for each other, I don't feel age should be an issue," one student stated.

Since students mature at different levels, it is not

AT THEIR LOCKER are senior Lisa Sianczak and junior Tim Aitha. Dating different age groups is common.

uncommon for a sophomore to be more mature than some seniors. Thus, more mature sophomores are drawn to the juniors and seniors. Likewise, a senior who is not quite mature as his classmates might choose a sophomore because they have common interests.

In general, however, most students said they looked more to the personality of a person than to the age.

— Karla Doelling



Jones, Dian  
Jones, Jessica  
Jones, Mike  
Kamanaroff, Paul  
Kospar, Kathryn  
Keammerer, Matt  
Kearan, George  
Keene, Harry



Kelley, Linda  
Kelly, Christy  
Kickbush, Peter  
Kim, Patrick  
Kimerer, Kristine  
Kleehammer, Mark  
Kleist, Jacqueline  
Klemz, Brian



Klepser, Kathryn  
Kneifel, Brenda  
Kalczak, Tim  
Kavalick, Joe  
Kraker, Debra  
Kratz, Brian  
Kratzenberg, Richard  
Kreske, Paul



Krieger, Kristin  
Kroll, Wendy  
Krynski, Traci  
Ku, Andrea  
Kuehl, Michael  
Lambert, Amy  
Lansperger, Christina  
Lawrence, Charles



Leetz, Missy  
Lernich, Steve  
Lopez, Denise  
Loock, Jan  
Luckett, Robert  
Lyons, Jack  
Macapagal, Myra  
Maden, Regina



Maertz, Ann  
Maglish, Thomas  
Managa, Judy  
Mangel, Dan  
Maniak, Diana  
Mapes, Carrie  
Marcinkowski, Mark  
Marrs, Michelle



Marshall, Sandy  
Martin, Marya  
Martin, Tanya  
Mathews, Karen  
McBride, Kevin  
McCarty, Sonny  
McCasland, Amy  
McDonnell, Debra



McDowell, Debra  
McNeill, Kate  
Metherd, Katherine  
Meyer, Kristin  
Meyer, Steve  
Meyers, Rochelle  
Miciche, Mike  
Miller, Amy





# CHEATERS DON'T WIN

Slowly a pair of eyes approach their desired prey, then they quickly attack it vigorously. Shortly after the struggle began, a mere tap on the shoulder ends all hope of the seeker winning the battle. Once again the teacher has outsmarted the student. He has finally caught someone in the common act of cheating.

Cheating is a never ending problem. To some, it's a short-cut to success, but most find that in the

end, it doesn't pay.

Teachers have taken certain measures to prevent cheating. Most state on the first day of class what punishments he or she will use if a student is caught cheating. One type of punishment the student would receive is a zero on the assignment or test. Also, a more strict approach is the student will fail the grading period.

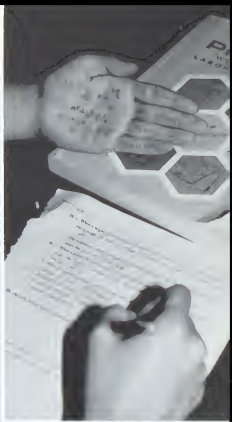
Many students stated that cheating takes away their personal satisfaction.

"After cheating on a test and receiving an 'A' on it, I felt so guilty," said one student.

Living in a society that puts such an emphasis on winning, one should remember the saying, "Cheaters never win and winners never cheat".

— Karla Doelling

WRITING THE ANSWERS on a hand is a common act of cheating according to many students.



Miller, David  
Miller, Sheila  
Mahler, Nancy  
Mahnach, Katherine  
Malloris, Kathy  
Montgomery, John  
Moody, Heather  
Maare, Dean

Maran, Kevin  
Marton, Greg  
Maser, Natalie  
Maser, Sherrie  
Mawbray, Becky  
Mueller, Christine  
Mundt, Marshall  
Murphy, Maureen

Neal, Rick  
Neis, Mike  
Nelson, Lori  
Nelson, Sandy  
Neneth, Wally  
Nicholas, Bonnie  
Nimetz, Mike  
Norris, Tim

Oakes, Mylissa  
Parks, John  
Parry, Amy  
Patheja, Monmeer  
Pekarek, Joe  
Puequet, Matt  
Phillips, Gerrie  
Piet, Terr

Pitt, Jalando  
Pittman, David  
Powell, Lindsey  
Prahlow, Deborah  
Pritchard, Mike  
Pyle, Janie  
Quornstarm, David  
Rarity, Donald

Reavis, Mary Beth  
Redman, Steve  
Reichert, Chris  
Reif, Ginger  
Remjian, Steve  
Rice, Wayne  
Richards, Chris  
Ritchie, James



Robbins, Kim  
Roberts, Andy  
Rogness, Marilyn  
Rooney, Pat  
Roop, Frank  
Ross, Andy  
Rass, Becky  
Sachs, Emily



Schneck, Andy  
Schlundt, Fred  
Scott, Kris  
Scroggin, Jan  
Sharp, Brittany  
Sheeks, Maschelle  
Sheridan, Tina  
Shoffner, Dannie



Shook, Angie  
Shurt, Kelly  
Shurr, Laura  
Simson, Carolyn  
Skalak, Alicia  
Smith, Diane  
Smith, Mike  
Sopka, Jeff



Sarmaz, Millie  
Spagna, Mike  
Spaulding, Robert  
Spejewski, Deanne  
Spencer, Nova  
Spencer, Rich  
Sperry, Mike  
Stanczak, Mark



## THE USUAL PLACE

Times haven't changed since the days when The Fonz, Ritchie, Porsie, and Ralph hung-out at Arnold's.

Today, VHS students can be seen at various "hangouts" on Friday and Saturday nights. Some of the most popular include Dairy Queen, Burger King, and Shakey's all located at the County Seat.

Students spend time there for different reasons whether it's to visit with friends, get something to eat, or to "cruise" around in the parking lot. Some students said they go to the County Seat because there is nothing better to do.

Junior Kay Woodruff commented, "I used to go to the County Seat to see everyone, but now I go through the Burger King drive-thru to get something to eat."

During summer vacation, teenagers can be found at Wright's Barnyard which offers miniature golf, video games, go carts, batting cages, and driving ranges.

"I go to Wright's on weekday nights over the summer because there's nothing else to do," said junior Rich Kratzberg.

The Happy Days gang trend in the fifties that is still followed by VHS students today.

— Lisa Ahlbrand

JUNIORS ELISE DAXE, Julie Turner, Alex Brickley and Laura Shurr snack at Burger King.



Juniors/Reavis-Stanczak





Standford, Rod  
 Steere, Nadine  
 Stephens, Mark  
 Stewart, Susannah  
 Stooksbury, Jennifer  
 Strako, Yvette  
 Stratton, Diane  
 Stratton, Kim

Sullivan, Shannon  
 Tan, Titus  
 Tauck, Bill  
 Taylor, Joel  
 Terpstra, Leanna  
 Thomas, Shoun  
 Thompson, Kim  
 Thompson, Bill

Trapp, Jan  
 Truemper, Becky  
 Tucker, Cassie  
 Tudar, Jim  
 Turner, Julie  
 Ulman, Rob  
 Urbanczyk, Karl  
 Utley, Den

Vangel, Natalie  
 VanSenus, Charlie  
 Vas, Veronica  
 Veselica, Mark  
 Wagenblast, Todd  
 Wallace, Jim  
 Walls, Greg  
 Wardrop, Lori

Watson, Krista  
 Wehner, Jeff  
 Weideman, Dean  
 Wells, J.T.  
 Wells, Misty  
 Wessel, John  
 Whalen, Jeff  
 White, Kristie

White, Lori  
 Whittler, Sonny  
 Wickersham, David  
 Wienke, Mary  
 Williams, Randy  
 Williamson, Jeff  
 Wilson, Frank  
 Wodnick, David

Wood, Stephanie  
 Woodard, Melissa  
 Woodruff, Kay  
 Woods, Christine  
 Wright, Gerry  
 Wright, Tim  
 Yates, Susan  
 Yoder, Michelle

Young, Jan  
 Young, Bill  
 Ziegert, David  
 Zweig, Lori

Aardema, Steve  
Abbott, Alane  
Abel, Jason  
Acres, Teresa  
Adney, Jeff  
Ahlgrim, Kim  
Alexa, Don  
Ambelang, Kim



Anderson, Craig  
Ashlock, Robert  
Badie, Daenen  
Balla, Chris  
Bamesberger, Amy  
Barber, Amy  
Barrell, Kenny  
Barane, Mike



Bartelmo, Tom  
Bauer, James  
Beiser, Steve  
Benedict, Brian  
Benjamin, Debbie  
Berda, Kelly  
Bernardi, Cory  
Berjemann, Julia



Bielich, Mary  
Bird, John  
Bird, Parry  
Bird, Rich  
Blaney, Jerry  
Blumenhal, John  
Bodensteiner, Jill  
Bowen, Julie



Bradley, Glenda  
Brandy, Allan  
Brewer, Paul  
Brickley, Chris  
Brooks, Nancy  
Brown, Mike  
Buls, Eric  
Burtis, Stephanie



Butler, Dennis  
Byvaets, Sean  
Campbell, Pally  
Cannon, Margaret  
Carey, Rachel  
Carichoff, Karen  
Carlas, Jewel  
Cormichael, Jim



Cormano, Stacey  
Castle, Scott  
Choran, Jin Jin  
Chester, Vicki  
Chillion, Dirk  
Choore, Laura  
Cifaldi, Vicki  
Cleis, Melissa



Cliffard, Chad  
Clause, Duane  
Cale, Lynnea  
Collins, Clancy  
Collins, Mike  
Candi, Bruce  
Candan, Mark  
Cook, Mike





Cornell, Becky  
Cornell, Tiffany  
Costas, Jamie  
Crowder, Mikal  
Crawe, Jeff  
Cuppy, Jennifer  
Cusan, Elizabeth  
Czyzk, Gail

Czap, Chris  
Davenport, Kathy  
Davidson, Rob  
Defler, David  
Demon, Dawn  
Demick, Kris  
Dennis, Andrea  
Desarra, Candy

Dewitt, Dawn  
Dimitri, Lisa  
Dingwall, Leslie  
Doelling, David  
Dold, David  
Doallittle, James  
Daughterty, Wanda  
Drake, Paul

## SOPH EFFORT

Enthusiasm, dedication, and providing leadership and identity were duties the sophomore class officers had to accomplish to make it a successful year.

Carrying out these duties were president Rob Emerson, vice-president Steve Beiser, treasurer Mary Iatridis, and secretary Cory Pingatore.

Rob stated, "I ran for president because it's good experience for the future and it will help me

develop leadership abilities."

"Being a class officer gave me a chance to offer my opinions and support Rob," said Steve.

Both Mary and Cory ran for office because they wanted to become involved in activities.

— Lisa Ahlbrand

**SOPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS**  
— Cory Pingatore, treas.; Mary Iatridis, sec.; Steve Beiser, v. pres.; Rob Emerson, pres.



Droege, Karlo  
Drautlaid, Terri  
Ducat, Robert  
Ehlers, Roger  
Eichberger, Dove  
Eichmeier, Dan  
Elkins, Julie  
Elkins, Marlene

Emerson, Robert  
Engel, Mindy  
Espamer, Amy  
Etzler, Elizabeth  
Evanoff, Susan  
Fancher, Teresa  
Fornum, Victoria  
Ferggren, Billy

Finlay, Melissa  
Fisk, James  
Fletcher, Anne  
Folke, Suzanne  
Ford, Robert  
Frolley, Jodi  
Frome, Gregory  
Frank, Christine



Freitag, Jason  
Frieske, Karen  
Fritts, Scott  
Frye, Daniel  
Gant, Kellie  
Garcia, Todd  
Gorman, Kelley  
Gorner, James



## HARD ADJUSTMENTS

Moving to another state or city is not easy. There are always difficult adjustments to be made.

The same holds true for those students going from one grade to another. Everyone can remember the day he stepped foot into VHS. Some were excited about what it had to offer, while others felt threatened by the unknown.

Some of the questions asked were, "Will I lose

my friends?" and "Will I be accepted?" As the weeks and months passed, students were able to see the outcome of these adjustments. One sophomore, Stephen Pilz, who attended Thomas Jefferson Junior High, stated that the hardest change to high school was the size of the school and the high expectations of the teachers.

Lori Sier and Anne Satterlee, both former Ben

Franklin students, agreed that friends change when you reach high school.

Sophomore Elizabeth Versteeg, said, "It was hard to be in classes with upper classmen, but the transition overall was easy."

— Marcy Costas

SOPHOMORES KATIE HOFFERTH and Kaye Keller work on a research project for their Far East / Russia class with seniors Mark Tath and Tim Sullivan.



Gerber, Doug  
Gericke, Justin  
Gilbertsen, Mike  
Given, Elizabeth  
Gald, Paul  
Goodwin, Chad  
Goodwin, Tomi  
Graham, Ronnie



Griffin, Andy  
Griffin, Nick  
Gross, Krissy  
Groves, Ken  
Haberkm, John  
Hadley, Joe  
Hall, Jennifer  
Hall, Mark



Hamacher, Dustin  
Hancock, Todd  
Harbeck, Amy  
Harden, Rodney  
Hordick, Donno  
Hordin, Jerry  
Horing, Mike  
Hoskins, Rodney







Haugh, Lesley  
Henderson, Scott  
Henson, Krista  
Herrick, Karin  
Hilly, Chris  
Hines, Jack  
Hobson, Roger  
Hofferth, Katie



Hofferth, Jessica  
Hollandsworth, Teresa  
Hropek, John  
Huck, Loren  
Hutton, Melissa  
Iatridis, Mary  
Jahr, Bruce  
Jankowski, Angela



Jasnic, Jana  
Johnson, Mike  
Jones, Mark  
Kalina, Christine



Kaster, Michael  
Keller, Darrell  
Keller, Koye  
Kenny, Loretta



Kinefleter, Michelle  
Kleist, John  
Klinedinst, Danny  
Knight, Greg



Knoerschild, Kerri  
Koetke, Jill  
Kalczak, Melanie  
Kaiman, David  
Kopka, Nicholas  
Kroll, Michelle  
Krayniok, Mike  
Kuchos, Darin



Kuehl, Charlene  
Kuehl, Laura  
Lagerstrom, Lara  
Lambert, Michelle  
Landsperger, Hugh  
Largura, Burton  
Larue, Eric  
Lawrence, Jeff



Leffew, Jeff  
Leman, Lance  
Lennex, Allison  
Libbassi, Teri  
Long, Aaron  
Loof, Kimberly  
Macopogol, Mychel  
Mack, Kevin

Macy, Randy  
Mahoney, Tammy  
Majers, Marsha  
Marcus, Mitch  
Martin, Michael  
Martz, Joseph  
Martz, Stacey  
Massam, Scott



Masters, Beth  
Mather, Mark  
Maupin, Marcia  
Maxey, Kevin  
McAleer, Tracey  
McColley, Greg  
McDonald, Timothy  
McKuen, Kelli



McLinn, Tania  
McMurrey, Shelley  
McNulty, Paige  
McQuillan, Porrick  
Meyers, Craig  
Miller, Alison  
Miller, Carolyn  
Miller, Kevin



Miller, Maria  
Miller, Tim  
Miller, Todd  
Mings, Deanna  
Mitchell, Colleen  
Mitchell, Jeff  
Monroe, Shannon  
Moody, Elizabeth



Morris, Matt  
Morrison, Bob  
Mueller, Amy  
Mulkey, Mary  
Mulleit, Julie  
Murphy, Daniel  
Murphy, Kelly  
Murka, Karen



## LOOKING GOOD

Primp ('primp) v. 1. To make one's appearance neat and tidy. 2. To preen.

Between classes or at lunch, an open spot in front of a mirror is hard to find.

For some people the time to primp is anytime they are near a mirror, but in desperate times any reflective object will help.

Society's constant demand on beauty is an underlying reason for primp-

ing. A girl's make-up must be just right, or a boy's hair has to be in place. Perhaps one primps to attract a member of the opposite sex, or maybe just to make them feel more confident.

Whatever the reason, most feel that primping is a positive action showing pride in one's self.

— Karla Doelling

DOUBLE-CHECKING THEIR hair and make-up, a group of sophomore girls prepare for the day ahead.





Noy, Tim  
Neal, Ann  
Newlin, Dan  
Newlin, Daug  
Nolan, Micky  
Nuechterlein, John  
Nuest, Bonni  
Nusbaum, Cathy

Oestreich, Julie  
O'Kelly, Bryan  
Osterhaut, Jeff  
Page, Chris  
Paris, Brian  
Parks, Helen  
Parks, Larry  
Pathejo, Jaipal

Patrick, Kelly  
Pavelka, Jerry  
Pedavall, Jennifer  
Pence, Kim  
Pessmeg, Rhonda  
Peterson, Deanna  
Petra, Maureen  
Peuquet, Kristin

Phillis, Anne  
Phipps, Mike  
Piet, Joanne  
Pikula, Troy  
Pilz, Stephen  
Pinaglare, Cary  
Pishkur, John  
Paff, Cary

Polizato, Brett  
Pratt, Julie  
Proud, Tam  
Pullins, Clayton  
Rafferty, Joe  
Randall, Brad  
Rans, Peter  
Razus, Yvonne

Reskin, William  
Reynolds, Darell  
Reynolds, Kim  
Rezabeck, Jay  
Rice, Dan  
Riley, Kelly  
Rinker, Kelly  
Risk, Michelle

Roberts, Susan  
Robinson, Dan  
Robinson, Denise  
Ranca, Jeff  
Rannequ, Carrie  
Rupnow, Mark  
Rushock, Becky  
Sanford, Amy

Sarafin, Chris  
Satterlee, Ann  
Schlyer, Brian  
Schneckenburger, Scott  
Schneegas, Glenn  
Schroeder, Jim  
Schultz, Tricia  
Schwartz, Stacey

Schwinkendorf, Brian  
 Scrim, Mark  
 Scott, Tom  
 Searies, Prudence  
 Sensebaugh, Jeff  
 Seroczynski, Chris  
 Seward, Jennifer  
 Sherrick, Sherry



Shields, Ivy  
 Shinall, Robert  
 Shook, Julie  
 Shurre, Amy  
 Sier, Lori  
 Simpkins, Melissa  
 Sinclair, Lynne  
 Sirovica, Mark



Sisson, Melissa  
 Skirvan, Christopher  
 Smaroff, Desiree  
 Smith, Jill  
 Smith, Kevin  
 Smith, Michelle  
 Smith, Tricia  
 Soliday, Paul



Spencer, Daniel  
 Stanley, Kimberly  
 Storesino, Patrick  
 Stork, Linda  
 Streider, John  
 Streindler, Laura  
 Stevenson, Robert  
 Stinnett, Rhonda



Stonebroker, Stacy  
 Stowers, Kelli  
 Strong, David  
 Stratton, Paul  
 Susdorf, Jody  
 Szymanski, Mike  
 Tan, Timothy  
 Topp, John



Taylor, Jackie  
 Thomas, Leonne  
 Timmons, Pamela  
 Trisick, George  
 Trisick, Roy  
 Troelsen, Andrew  
 Trianon, Mike  
 Trost, Ted



Truitt, Bryan  
 Trulock, Leslie  
 Tucker, Jeff  
 Uim, Janet  
 Vanderwijst, Angela  
 Varela, Lindo  
 Vendl, Kristi  
 Vestreeg, Elizabeth



Vinton, Kelly  
 Volk, Ted  
 Walonen, Bryan  
 Walker, Charles  
 Walsh, John  
 Ward, Robbie  
 Washburn, Phillip  
 Weeks, Tish





# FIRST TIME AROUND

Question: When does the Indiana state law require that your headlights be on when driving?

Many people, such as sophomores, don't realize the answer to this question is between sunset and sunrise. However, while most 16 year olds pass the written exam some fail the driving test for the first time.

Sophomore Jeff Leffew said, "I passed my driver's test for the first time. The written part was easy because I knew what kind of

questions there would be."

After weeks of driver education classes and driving experience, sophomores found it difficult to get the car from parents. Whether it was to go to the movies, or to a game, parents would say students were too inexperienced to be driving alone.

"I seldom drove when I first got my license because my mom said I needed more practice," said sophomore Amy Erspamer.

Sophomores who did not have their licenses were left with unpopular alternatives: walking or getting a ride from their parents.

Stacey Martz stated, "The best thing about getting my license was that eventually I didn't have to get rides from my parents anymore."

— Lisa Ahlbrand

EXAMING THE THREE possible answers, sophomore Stacey Martz attempts to pass her written driver's test.



Wholls, Tommy  
Wheeler, Karen  
Wheeler, Kristin  
White, Aimee  
White, Julie  
Whitler, Cheri  
Wienke, Denise  
Wilgus, Shelly

Will, Shawn  
Willis, Jason  
Wittlinger, Katie  
Wojcik, Jennifer  
Walle, Joshua  
Wright, Larry  
Yackley, Angelo  
Yates, Melinda

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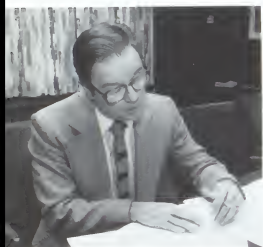
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Chris R. Gavin

Sept. 13, 1969-Sept. 21, 1984

RETIRING AFTER 16 years as VHS principal, Mr. Garth Johnson will serve as Assistant Superintendent.

CHECKING FIGURES, Superintendent R. James Risk also oversees all school policies and administrations.



AS ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT for 17 years, Mr. Myron Knauff's main duty was coordinating all school staff employment.

ADMINISTRATOR OF THE YEAR for 1984, Mr. Johnson is honored with a plaque presented by Assistant Principal Bob Suttan.



# Administrators retire after long careers

Traditions, like Christmas trees and Fourth-of-July fireworks, stay the same through the years. Schools also have traditions they observe. Two traditions in the school system ended this year, however, when VHS Principal Garth Johnson and Assistant Superintendent Myron Knauff retired.

On July 1, 1984, Mr. Knauff officially retired after 17 years of service to Valparaiso Community Schools. As Assistant Superintendent, Mr. Knauff helped plan the construc-

tion of the present high school facility and was also responsible for school staff employment.

Replacing Mr. Knauff is Mr. Garth Johnson, retiring from the VHS principalship after 16 years. He plans to serve as Assistant Superintendent for a few years, overseeing all secondary personnel, curricula, and evaluations.

Selecting a new high school principal required a detailed screening process. From a pool of applications, Mr. Johnson and Superintendent R. James

Risk selected and interviewed ten candidates, narrowing the possibilities to six.

In January, each of these candidates met independently with three committees. One was composed of five faculty members, Glen Ellis, Elaine Bever, Martin Miller, Dean Gerber, and West Maier. Another group included five students — Student Council and National Honor Society presidents, and the three class presidents. The third committee consisted

of Johnson and Risk.

After the committees filed recommendations, Risk and Johnson then compiled a final selection and submitted it for the School Board's approval. In mid-February Dr. David Bess was named Johnson's successor.

Although Mr. Johnson appreciated his years as principal, he wanted to retire so he could relax and enjoy life. "I feel that a person needs to retire while still in good health."

— Pam Judson



**SCHOOL BOARD** — Dr. Robert Koenig, vice-president, Mrs. Janet Hart, secretary. *Back Row:* Mr. Lawrence Froberg, Mr. Arnold Brown, Mr. Robert Malakowski, president.

**ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL** Robert Sutton handles upperclass discipline and oversees student activities.

**SOPHOMORE DISCIPLINE**, substitutes, and serving as Athletic Director are the duties of Assistant Principal C.J. Doane.

MRS. SALLY ALTES — Spanish  
 MR. KURT ANDERSON — art dept. choir-  
 man; IPS chairman  
 MR. JOHN ANGYUS — industrial vocational  
 dept. VICA  
 MRS. MARCIA ARNOLD — Spanish



MR. BEN AUSTIN — physics; goming club  
 sponsor; IPS  
 MRS. CHERYL BAGNALL — home economics  
 chairperson; faculty advisory committee  
 MRS. ANNE BAKER — social studies  
 MRS. NANCY BENDER — social studies dept.  
 chairperson; Foreign Exchange Club spon-  
 sor; girls golf coach; faculty advisory com-  
 mittee



MR. TODD BENNETHUM — chemistry; bio-  
 ogy; girls' softball coach; student-faculty  
 senate  
 MRS. JANICE BERGESON — science; parent  
 teacher committee; student faculty senate;  
 VTA representative  
 MISS ELAINE BEVER — guidance; parent-  
 teacher committee; VALPO committee  
 MR. CHARLES BIRD — English; boys' swim  
 team head coach



DR. WILLIAM BOYLE — science dept. chair-  
 person; student council sponsor; student  
 faculty senate; intramural football  
 MR. BERNARD BUTT — choir; colorials and  
 carousels  
 MR. ROBERT CAIN — art; boys' golf coach;  
 IPS committee  
 MR. DALE CICHORA — social studies, phys-  
 ical education; varsity girls' basketball  
 coach; FCA sponsor



MRS. KATHERINE CLARK — English; VALPO  
 chairperson; parent teacher committee  
 MR. ZANE COLE — industrial vocational  
 dept. chairperson; ICT-VICA sponsor; oss't.  
 JV football coach; boys' JV baseball coach;  
 faculty advisory committee  
 MRS. DAWN COLLINS — PVE dept.; YARC  
 sponsor  
 MR. SKIP COLLINS — English; boys' basket-  
 ball head coach





## 'Free' time far from free

In order to prepare for the rest of the day, teachers at VHS have one hour set aside in their schedule to get caught up on their "homework." This hour of their day is called a preparation period, or "prep hour."

Different teachers throughout the school used their prep hour for different reasons, ranging from grading papers to taking a coffee break.

Mrs. Judith Lebryk, English department chairperson, used her prep hour to take care of department business. She also used the hour to plan lessons and do other "clerical things," she explained. "I seldom have time for grading papers," said Mrs. Lebryk. "I also try for a 15-minute coffee break," she said.

Some teachers found this hour gave them time

for finding class material and planning lessons. Social studies teacher Charles Stanier used his prep hour mainly to get ready for another day of classes. He also used the hour to review filmstrips to determine if they could fit into the topic his classes have been studying.

As director of the Nature Study area, science instructor Diane Lebryk devoted some of her prep hours to scheduling groups to tour the Nature Study area. "I help give tours to the elementary school children, but it is a seasonal thing," said Mrs. Lebryk. "I also assist students who come in for help, and work with my student aid," she added.

Prep hours provided teachers with an opportunity to get caught up on a day's work.

— Paul Jankowski



PLANNING FOR THE next day of classes is one task that English instructor Judith Lebryk does on her prep hour.



MRS. JUDY COMMERS — business; DECA sponsor

MR. JOHN COOK — physical education; head wrestling coach; ass't football coach

MRS. LORIE COOK — physical education; varsity gymnastics; intramural gymnastics

MR. DON DICK — guidance director; IPS; parent teacher committee; faculty advisor; student conduct committee

MRS. MARY EHREBERG — English  
 MR. GLEN ELLIS — math dept. chairman;  
 intramural basketball director; convocation  
 coordinator; faculty advisory committee;  
 NHS committee  
 MRS. MARA FIEGLE-HICKS — math; junior  
 class sponsor  
 MISS DEBBIE FRAY — German; track coach.  
 Junior high girls' IPS committee

MR. CHARLES GEISS — Spanish; French; for-  
 eign language dept. chairman; ass't varsity  
 baseball coach  
 MR. DEAN GERBER — learning center direc-  
 tor; VALPO committee; IPS committee; fac-  
 ulty advisory committee  
 MS. VELLA GRECO — business dept. chair-  
 person; domestic exchange sponsor  
 MRS. BRENDA GREEN — business; junior  
 class sponsor



SCIENCE TEACHER Todd Ben-nethum makes certain juniors Chris Woods and Julie

Carrell safety board a fan bus.

## Chaperones keep the peace

Teaching and keeping order in the classroom are not the only responsibilities of the faculty members at Valparaiso High School. Being a chaperone at a dance or on a fan bus is also a duty of all teachers.

Faculty members are asked to volunteer twice a year to chaperone a dance, or fan bus. According to Assistant Principal Robert Sutton, chaperones are made available in case any problems arise.

Not only do faculty members chaperone, but some parents volunteer to be a chaperone at special events. Other

than post prom, however, Mr. Sutton said that it is not too common.

The main problem that occurs at dances is drinking, explained Mr. Sutton. Chaperones are present to discover anyone suspicious of drinking. Restrooms are another area in which chaperones "keep the peace," he explained.

Basically, a chaperone's job is to keep order and make sure things don't get out of hand. "They are there to help keep peace," said Mr. Sutton.

— Paul Jankowski



MR. JERRY HAGER — PVE dept. chairman;  
JV tennis coach; faculty advisory committee;  
student faculty senate  
MRS. ELIZABETH HALL — English; V-Teens  
sponsor; parent-teacher committee  
MRS. JEAN HECKMAN — English; NHS sponsor;  
VALPO committee  
MRS. DORIS HILDRETH — school nurse;  
health sciences; VICA

MR. JACK HILDRETH — guidance counselor  
MRS. ELIZABETH HOCEVAR — French; IPS  
committee; VTA representative  
MRS. LENORE HOFFMAN — English  
MR. MARK HOFFMAN — health dept. chairman;  
football head coach; ass't track coach;  
weightlifting club sponsor; SADD sponsor;  
intramural director

MR. FRANK HORVATH — industrial arts;  
VICA  
MR. DAVID KENNING — electronics; ass't  
coach girls' basketball; VICA; parent teacher  
committee  
MR. MARK KNAUFF — math; head coach  
volleyball; boys' track ass't coach  
MR. LANCE LEACH — business

MRS. DIANNE LEDRYK — science; girls' tennis  
ass't coach; Quiz Bowl sponsor  
MRS. JUDITH LEDRYK — English dept. chair-  
person; NHS sponsor; intramural tennis  
sponsor; faculty advisory committee  
MRS. PHYLLIS LEWANDOWSKI — learning  
center  
MRS. BRENDA LOTT — social studies; IPS  
committee; foreign exchange committee

MRS. PATRICIA MACK — math; curriculum  
committee  
MRS. JOAN MAHONEY — Spanish; cheer-  
leading sponsor  
MR. WESLEY MAIERS — math; FEC sponsor;  
student faculty senate; parent teacher  
committee  
MISS CYNTHIA MANILARDI — special educa-  
tion

MR. JAMES McMICHAEL — guidance; student faculty senate.

MISS JEAN MILLER — English; Latin; Latin club sponsor.

MR. MARTIN MILLER — social studies; parent teacher advisory committee; NHS committee.

MR. ROBERT MILLER — director of band and orchestra; pep band sponsor; faculty advisory board; parent teacher committee.



MR. RICHARD MITCHELL — math; ass't. football coach.

MR. PATRICK MURPHY — social studies; head coach varsity baseball; ass't. coach varsity football.

MR. GEORGE NASH — food service director; vocational foods service; intramural ski sponsor.

MS. ALICE NOBLE — speech and theatre; drama club sponsor; Thespian sponsor.



MR. LANCE NOLTING — industrial arts.

MS. CARRY PARSONS — special education.

MR. JOHN PINKERTON — English; student faculty senate.

MR. DANIEL PRITCHETT — band; math; jazz ensemble; marching band and studio band director.



MR. ROBERT PUNTER — math; JV basketball coach; ass't. track coach.

MR. A.T. RASMUSSEN — chemistry; physical education; head coach cross country; track coach; FCA advisor; parent teacher committee.

MR. SIDNEY REGGIE — history.

MR. LEWIS RHINEHART — German; sophomore basketball coach.



MR. DON SCOTT — math; school day committee.

MRS. CYNTHIA STALBAUM — business; OEA advisor.

MR. CHARLES STANIER — social studies.

MRS. MARY KAY STEPHAN — home economics.





# Grades: what counts

What is the average response of a student who receives a low grade on a report card? Blame the teacher.

Teachers, however, don't agree. In most classes, grade-determining factors, such as homework, tests, and quizzes are strictly objective. As mathematics teacher Glen Ellis explained, teachers transfer the scores from the grade book to the report card.

"I always feel a student earns what he gets. I'm just here to give the indication," he added.

However, teachers are quick to point out that grades aren't the only indication of a student's progress. What the student actually learns is the key.

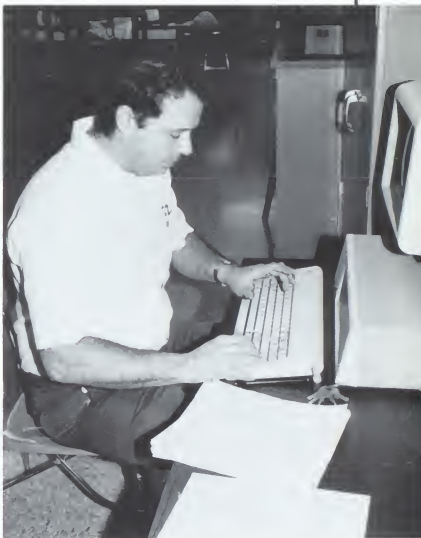
"Grades are one indication of learning, but not the only thing. Some people know the material,

but just can't take tests," said French teacher Elizabeth Hovevar.

Many teachers feel that students greatly overemphasize the importance of grades. "I think that college competition and grade point averages for scholarships are a big factor. Students feel that they have to push for that last half-point," chemistry teacher Jan Bergeson said.

According to English Chairperson Judy Lebryk, students often go to extremes concerning grades. "It doesn't matter whether a student graduates fifth or twenty-fifth. When people become so obsessed with grades that they cheat or specially schedule their courses, it blows the whole grading system out of proportion."

— Pam Judson



COMPILING NINE WEEKS scores, Mr. Ben Austin figures grades on a computer.



MISS NANCY WALSH — physical education dept. chairperson; girls' athletic director; faculty advisory committee.

MISS RUTH WILLIAMSON — business; intramural ski sponsor; foreign exchange committee; IPS committee.

MRS. RHONDA YELTON — math; student faculty senate.

MRS. GLORIA ZIMMERMAN — English; Valerian/Viking Press advisor; journalism; Quill and Scroll sponsor.

**AIDES** — *Front Row* Bob Kaminski, Mary Rybak, Nancy Drawn. *Back Row:* Judy Sharp, Shirley Birky, Sharon Gatt, Alice Scheffer. *Not Pictured:* Elener Nelson, Gretl Bondi, Bob Hartman.



**FULFILLING ONE** of many responsibilities, custodian Ruth Henderson sweeps the cafeteria after lunch periods.

**CAFETERIA STAFF** — *Front Row:* Jaan Stambaugh, Dawn Douglas, Betty Nichols, Pat Forsythe, Wilma Luther, Asst. Food Service Director: Sally Stewart, Lillian Swickard, Lois Bruder, Nancy

*Vice.* *Back Row:* Chris Tichy, Claire Baldwin, Vivian Ludington, Audrey Hartman, June Buck, Georgia Prawart, Vivian Breen, Brenda Woods, Marian Osterhaut, Trayanne Libassi,

Nancy Ritchea, Ann Abraham, Fern Lowe, Mary Ilgenfritz, Ruth Wilson. *Not Pictured:* June Herr, Barbara Haman, Marie Kerns.

## From obscurity to limelight

Although these people didn't call attention to themselves, they were a vital asset to the faculty. Students also saw them everyday in classrooms, halls, and the cafeteria. "They" were teachers' aides.

From distributing gym-suits to monitoring the smoking lounge, aides performed a variety of services. Many proctored study halls and supervised the cafeteria. This year, aides Sharon Gott and Robert Kaminski were stationed in the commons during lunch to

prevent students from wandering the halls. Other aides assisted teachers by typing and recording attendance.

Aides generally worked from three to five hours a day, enabling them to meet many students. Typing aide Judy Sharp enjoyed the students' enthusiasm. "I've worked in offices before, so this is a change of pace — everyday is different."

— Pam Judson

HELPING A TYPING CLASS sixth hour is one of Mrs. Greil Bondi's duties as a teacher's aide.




MRS. MARJORIE BARANOWSKI — library aide  
MRS. PATRICIA BENTON — attendance secretary  
MRS. ROSEMARY BUTT — attendance secretary  
MRS. EDIE GEE — registrar  
MRS. JUDY HAWES — food service secretary

MRS. MARILYN HAYES — guidance secretary  
MRS. LEAH HENRIQUES — food service cost analyst  
MRS. PAT HIGBIE — main office secretary  
MRS. ALICE KRAUEGER — library secretary  
MRS. SHARON NUPPNAU — career center director;  
pep club sponsor

MRS. SUSAN PELOSO — main office secretary  
MRS. MARGARET SORENSON — treasurer  
MRS. RACHEL WEST — athletic office secretary







## Valparaiso businesses overcome changes to Uphold traditions

**B**usinesses in Valparaiso continued to keep up with all of the changes that occurred as a result of the advancement of technology. However, traditions were still followed as citizens of our community adjusted to the changes.

Although Valparaiso isn't a major city, the town was not immune to the changes brought about by new advancements. One example would be the 24-hour automatic bank tellers scattered throughout the city. And with the growing popularity of home entertainment, businesses offered equipment ranging from home computers to video recorders.

However, old traditions in Valparaiso withstood the onrush of new technological advancements. During basketball season, stores showed their support of our team by hanging banners in the window. Also, these same businesses provided students with parttime jobs.

As a growing community, Valparaiso continued, and will continue, to change. But the businesses and people involved with them will help everyone to deal with the changes as they occur.

— Paul Jankowski

AS A FAVORITE HANGOUT, many VHS students took time out to enjoy a "treat" at one of the D.Q.'s in Valpo.

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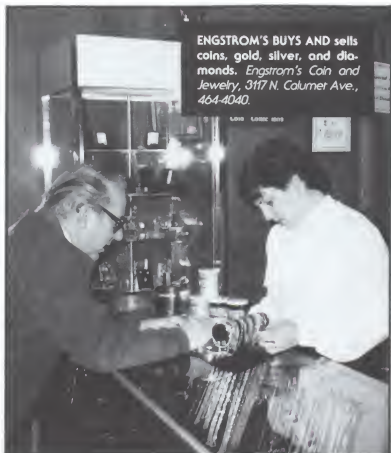
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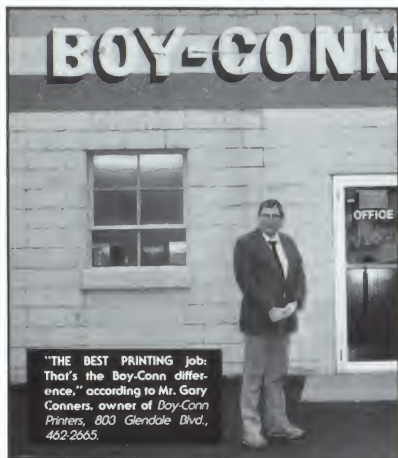
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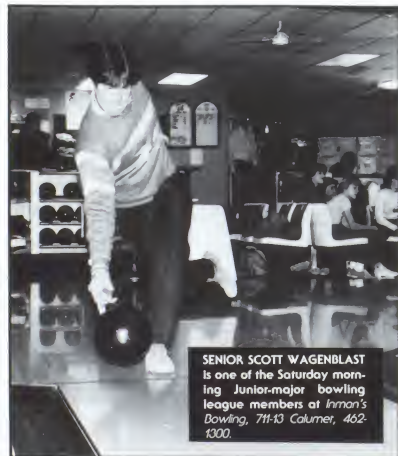
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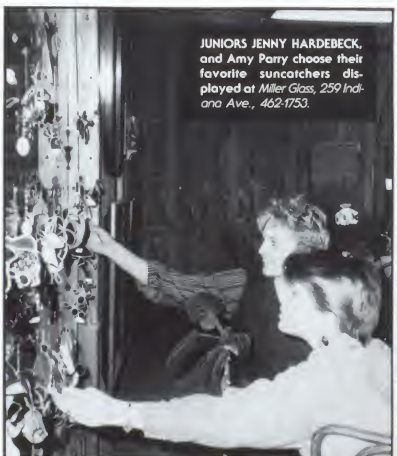
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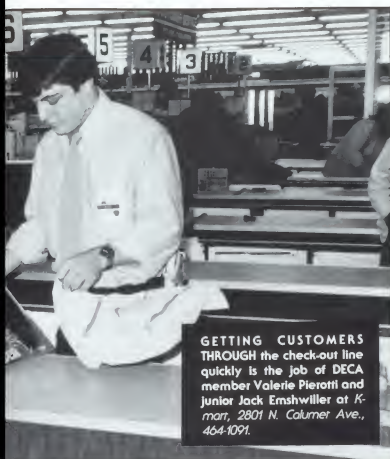
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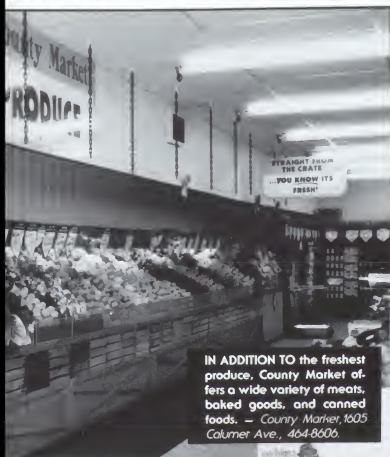


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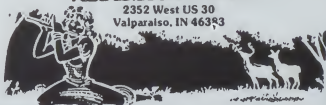
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Another plus was the relationship between the student-employee and the employer-relative. "It's fun to be around my dad and meet his friends when I work. I like to help him out," explained senior Jenny Schultz, who worked at her father's flower shop after school and Saturdays. Senior Marcy Costas, employed at Costas Foods on Saturdays and after school, said she took more pride in her work because her father owned the business.

Age was no barrier to working in family businesses. "I started working when I was twelve — you don't have to be sixteen," explained sophomore Polly Campbell, who worked for her grandfather at Marrell's Restaurant.

Sometimes authority was kept in the family as well. Senior Chris Sandberg, who worked summers and Saturdays at Sandberg Service Center, said he was the "Saturday boss" because his father was off that day.

In the past, kids worked for relatives to learn a trade and pass it to their children. Today, students choose to be employed in family businesses and value the opportunity for job experience and money, usually for college. As Marcy Costas explained, "I wanted to be involved in the family business and see how it worked."

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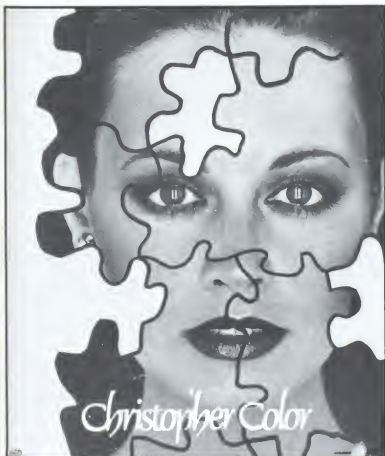
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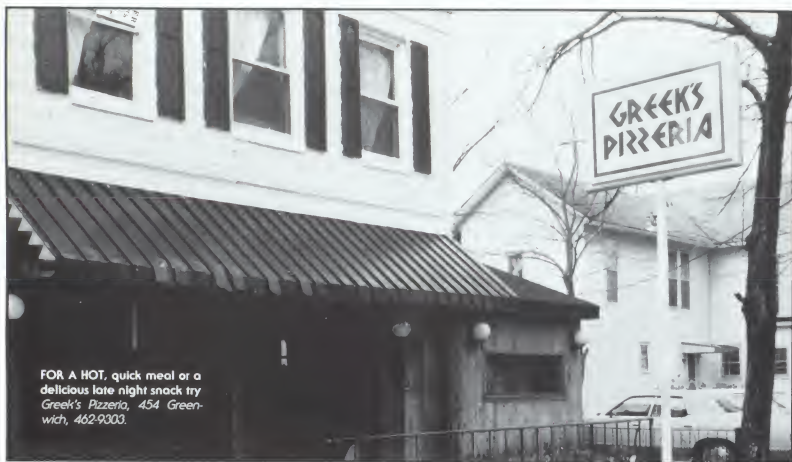
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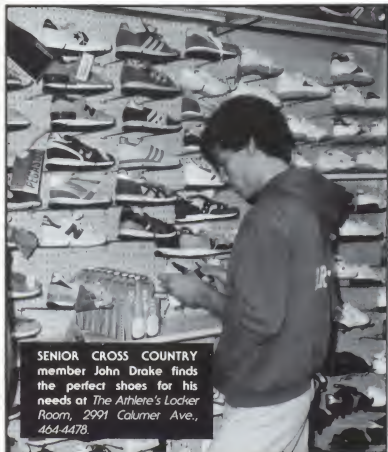
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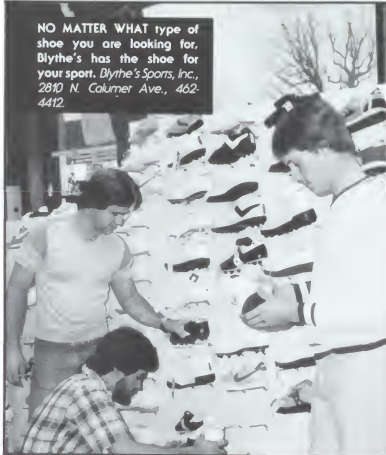
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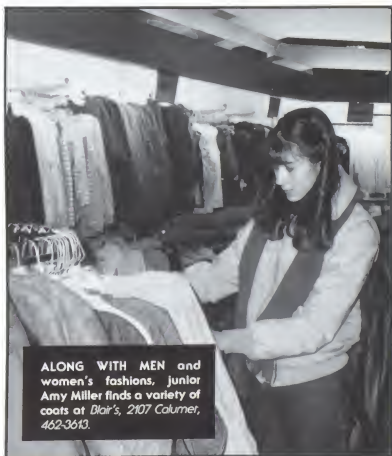
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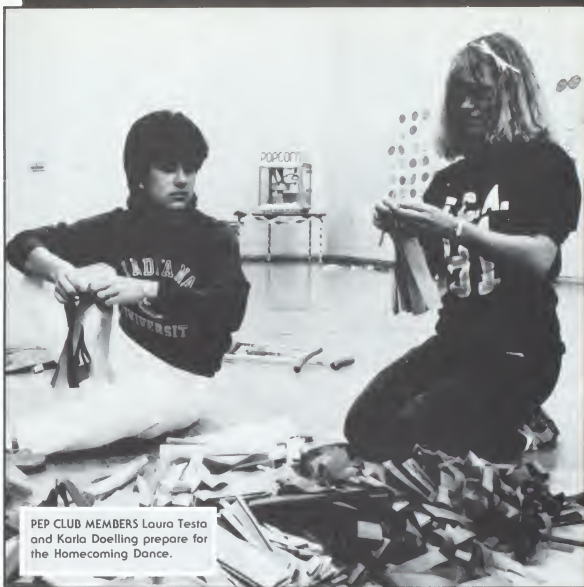
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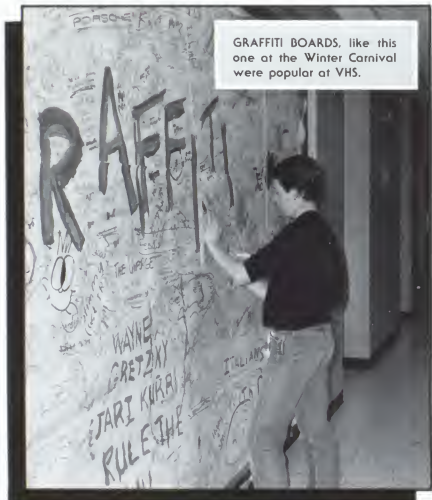


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## Small staff for '85 book

Society places much emphasis on being small. Such was the case with the 1985 Valenian staff, which had only 13 members, the smallest in years.

Because of the size of the staff, much responsibility was placed on all members. In some cases, one person did what two people have done in the past.

Without good photographs, a yearbook would not be complete. We would like to thank Root Photographers, and Perry Martin of the *Vidette-Messenger* — for contributing pictures to the Valenian.

We would like to thank Tae Eaton, Bob Henning of Josten's American Yearbook Company. We appreciate the support from the Kiwanis to help send staffers to camp through scholarship funds. Also, we would like to show our gratitude to the VHS faculty; the administration for its strong support and the coaches and teachers.

Finally, we would like to thank our advisor, Mrs. Z., for her guidance. Without her leadership, the 1985 Valenian would not be the product that it is.

— Paul Jankowski & Barb Walters

# Year highlighted by changes Elections, controversy, and trauma



AFTER A RECORD SEASON, Chicago Bears Walter Payton feels the defeat of the play-off game with San Francisco. (AP PHOTO)

**AUGUST** — Amid tight security and heavy smog, the 1984 Summer Olympics were held in Los Angeles without the participation of the Soviet Union and its satellites. The Peoples Republic of China competed for the first time since 1949.

**SEPTEMBER** — VHS students Chris Gavin, Dan Jones, and Todd Susdorf, were killed in a car crash after a sockhop. For the first time since 1945, the Chicago Cubs won the National League East title but lost the league pennant to San Diego.

**OCTOBER** — A gas leak at Union Carbide's plant in Bhopal, India killed 3,000 people. The Detroit Tigers won the World Series. William Schroeder of Jasper, Indiana became the second recipient of the Jarvik-7 artificial heart.

**NOVEMBER** — Her personal bodyguards assassinated Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi to avenge her government's attack on the Sikh holy temple at Amritsar. British rock singers formed the group Band-aid and donated proceeds from the single "Do They Know It's Christmas" to help drought and famine victims in Ethiopia. Reagan reelected president in the largest landslide in American history.

**DECEMBER** — Bernhard Goetz shot four teenagers after a supposed mugging attempt in New York's subways.

**JANUARY** — Rajiv Gandhi, Indira's son, was elected India's new prime minister. The United States and the Soviet Union agreed to resume arms control talks.

**FEBRUARY** — Severe ice storm hit Northwest Indiana. **MARCH** — Soviet Premier Konstantin U. Chernenko died in Moscow. Mikhail Gorbachev, 54, succeeded him. USA for Africa released "We Are the World" to help drought and famine victims in Ethiopia.

**APRIL** — American Major Arthur Nicolson was killed while spying on military installations in East Germany. An outbreak of salmonella food poisoning from Jewel Stores' Hillfarm milk sickened nearly 15,000 people in five states. In Chicago, convicted rapist Gary Dotson was released on bond after victim Cathy Crowell Webb admitted she had lied about the rape eight years earlier. Dotson returned to prison after Judge Richard Samuels rejected the recantation.

**MAY** — At a clemency hearing Illinois Governor James Thompson commuted Dotson's sentence but agreed with the 1979 guilty verdict. The New York Knicks won the number one draft pick in the NBA. Georgetown's Patrick Ewing. The world celebrated the 40th anniversary of V-E Day. Reagan received intense criticism after visiting a military cemetery at Bitburg, Luxembourg where 49 SS troops were buried.





MANY STUDENTS enjoyed an unplanned "February Break" due to severe snowstorms which paralyzed the area for three days.



PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN takes the oath of office after a landslide victory over Democrat Walter Mondale. (AP PHOTO)


EVEN THE POPCORN FESTIVAL ended a tradition as the Valparaiso Chamber of Commerce may no longer sponsor the event.



CLOWNS WENDY PELOSO and Jeff Fischer provide transition between acts in April Antics.



SENIOR JIM MILLER reached a height in his band career when he was chosen as one of two Indiana representatives in the McDonald All-American Band.



## Out with old, in with new End of an era

Many different changes took place within Valparaiso and the high school during the 1984-85 school year. However, these changes did not detract from the tradition of excellence we have been accustomed to at VHS.

Principal Garth Johnson, after serving for 16 years, "retired" from that position to take over for assistant superintendent Myron Knauff, who retired. Taking over for Mr. Johnson will be Dr. David Bess, a former principal from Davenport, Iowa.

Keeping up with the tradition of excellence at VHS was the Concert Band, which won the first-ever Concert Band State Championship. Also, both the boys' and girls' track teams had outstanding seasons, topping off a year in which all VHS sports teams had winning records.

Everyone associated with Valparaiso High School in the future will notice changes from the past because *This Is It*.

— Paul Jankowski



IN MEMORIAM TO Chris Gavin, Dan Jones, and Todd Susdorf, the flags at the front of the school were placed at half mast for a week.

## Changes within sight This is it

**N**ot since the construction of the "new" high school in 1972 have there been so many changes in the school system. New things with will happen in the future due to plans made this year.

A new principal, school starting at 7:30, seven class periods, and freshmen at the high school are just a few of the things scheduled to occur within the next two years.

Things are changing, but future VHS students should strive to continue the strong traditions set by former students. *This Is It*, but traditions known to VHS should continue.

— Paul Jankowski



FORWARD KAREEM EL-NAGGAR demonstrates the competitive spirit and drive of the soccer team which was added to the boys' sports program this year.

VARSITY BASEBALL COACH Par Murphy cheers his team from the new dugouts built by the memorial fund of Dan Jones and Todd Susdorf.

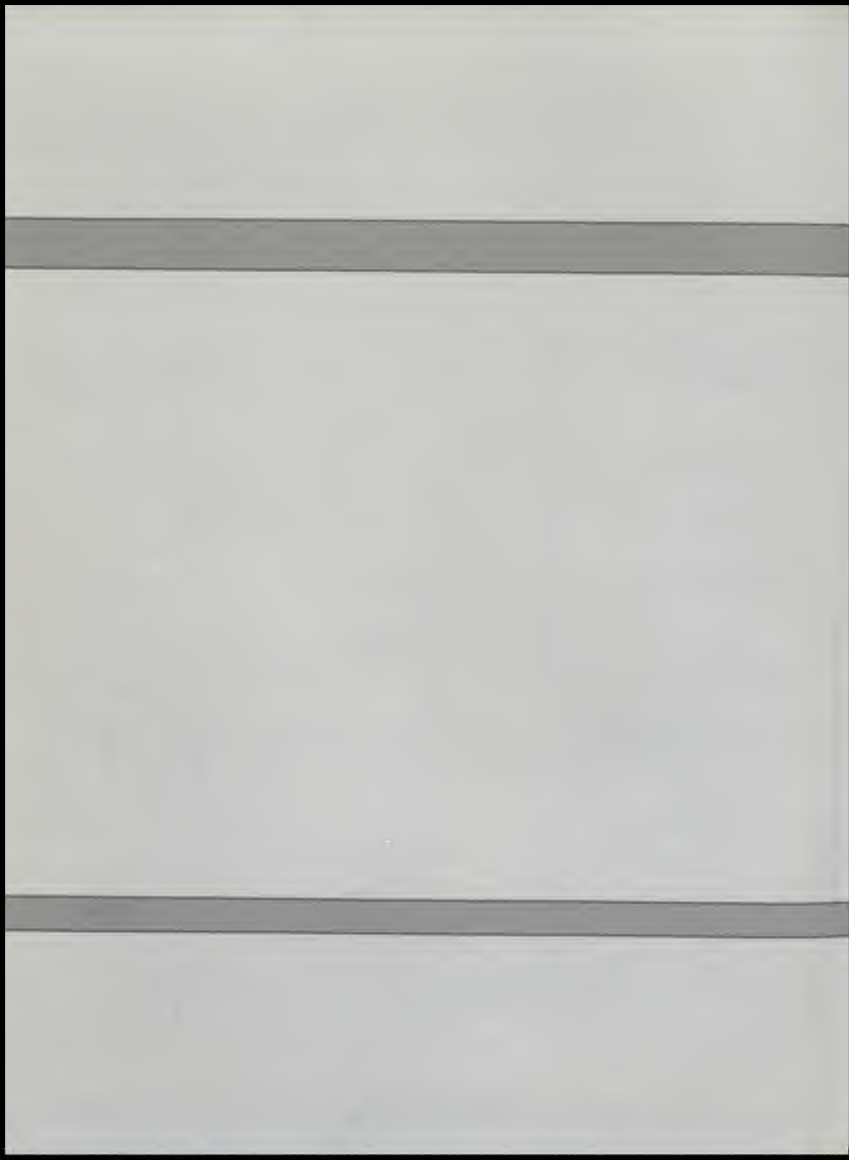
DISCUSSING IDEAS, Dr. David Bess talks with Principal Gorth Johnson at his reception.

The first part of the paper discusses the importance of the research and the objectives of the study. It then presents a literature review of the existing research on the topic. The second part of the paper describes the methodology used in the study, including the data collection and analysis techniques. The third part of the paper presents the results of the study, and the fourth part discusses the implications of the findings. The paper concludes with a summary of the main findings and a list of references.

The research was conducted in a systematic and rigorous manner, following the principles of good research practice. The data was collected from a representative sample of the population, and the analysis was conducted using appropriate statistical methods. The results of the study are presented in a clear and concise manner, and the implications of the findings are discussed in detail.

The findings of the study have important implications for the field of research. They suggest that there is a need for further research in this area, and that the results of this study can be used to inform policy and practice. The paper concludes with a list of references, which includes the works of other researchers in the field.





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